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I hereby certify that the information contained in this application is, to the best of my knowledge, correct and that the organization named above has authorized me as its representative to obligate this organization in a legally binding contractual agreement. I further certify that any ensuing program and activity will be conducted in accordance with all applicable federal and state laws and regulations, application guidelines and instructions, the general provisions and assurances, debarment and suspension certification, lobbying certification requirements, special provisions and assurances, and the schedules attached as applicable. It is understood by the applicant that this application constitutes an offer and, if accepted by the Agency or renegotiated to acceptance, will form a binding agreement.

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Signature (blue ink preferred)

Date signed

Only the legally responsible party may sign this application.

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An X in the "New" column indicates a required schedule that must be submitted as part of any new application. The applicant must mark the "New" checkbox for each additional schedule submitted to complete the application. For amended applications, the applicant must mark the "Amended" checkbox for each schedule being submitted as part of the amendment.

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#	Schedule Name	New	Amended		
1	General Information		\boxtimes		
2	Required Attachments and Provisions and Assurances		N/A		
4	Request for Amendment	N/A	\boxtimes		
5	Program Executive Summary				
6	Program Budget Summary				
7	Payroll Costs (6100)	See			
8	Professional and Contracted Services (6200)	important			
9	Supplies and Materials (6300)	Note for			
10	Other Operating Costs (6400)	Competitive			
11	Capital Outlay (6600)	Grants*			
12	Demographics and Participants to Be Served with Grant Funds				
13	Needs Assessment				
14	Management Plan				
15	Project Evaluation				
16	Responses to Statutory Requirements				
17	Responses to TEA Requirements				
18	Equitable Access and Participation				

*IMPORTANT NOTE FOR COMPETITIVE GRANTS: Schedules #7, #8, #9, #10 and #11 are required schedules if any dollar amount is entered for the corresponding class/object code on Schedule #6—Program Budget Summary. For example, if any dollar amount is budgeted for class/object code 6100 on Schedule #6—Program Budget Summary, then Schedule #7—Payroll Costs (6100) is required. If it is either blank or missing from the application, the application will be disqualified.

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Schedule #2—Required Attachmen	its and Provisions and Assurances
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Part 1: Required Attachments	

The following table lists the fiscal-related and program-related documents that are required to be submitted with the application (attached to the back of each copy, as an appendix).

#	Applicant Type	Name of Required Fiscal-Related Attachment
No fis	scal-related attachments are requ	ired for this grant.
#	Name of Required Program-Related Attachment	Description of Required Program-Related Attachment
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Part :	2: Acceptance and Compliance	

By marking an X in each of the boxes below, the authorized official who signs Schedule #1—General Information certifies his or her acceptance of and compliance with all of the following guidelines, provisions, and assurances.

Note that provisions and assurances specific to this program are listed separately, in Part 3 of this schedule, and

require a separate certification.

X	Acceptance and Compliance
	I certify my acceptance of and compliance with the General and Fiscal Guidelines.
	I certify my acceptance of and compliance with the program guidelines for this grant.
	I certify my acceptance of and compliance with all General Provisions and Assurances requirements.
\boxtimes	I certify that I am not debarred or suspended. I also certify my acceptance of and compliance with all Debarment and Suspension Certification requirements.
\boxtimes	I certify that this organization does not spend federal appropriated funds for lobbying activities and certify my acceptance of and compliance with all <u>Lobbying Certification</u> requirements.
	I certify my acceptance of and compliance with No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 Provisions and Assurances requirements.

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Part 3: Program-Specific Provisions and Assurances	

I certify my acceptance of and compliance with all program-specific provisions and assurances listed below.

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#	Provision/Assurance
1.	The applicant provides assurance that program funds will supplement (increase the level of service), and not supplant (replace) state mandates, State Board of Education rules, and activities previously conducted with state or local funds. The applicant provides assurance that state or local funds may not be decreased or diverted for other purposes merely because of the availability of these funds. The applicant provides assurance that program services and activities to be funded from this grant will be supplementary to existing services and activities and will not be used for any services or activities required by state law, State Board of Education rules, or local policy.
2.	The applicant provides assurance that the application does not contain any information that would be protected by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) from general release to the public.
3.	The applicant provides assurance that, if it receives these program funds to serve one or more campuses, it will ensure each campus receives all of the state and local funds it would have received in the absence of these program funds. As a result, an LEA must provide the TTIPS grantee campus all of the non-Federal funds the campus would have received were it not a TTIPS grantee campus, and these program funds must supplement the amount of those non-Federal funds. Note, however, that the campus does not need to demonstrate that these program funds are used only for activities that supplement those activities the campus would otherwise provide with non-Federal funds.
4.	The applicant provides assurance that the education program described below is unique to the applicant LEA and the eligible campus for which the application is being submitted. An applicant that plagiarizes or copies any other application does not meet this standard and will be disqualified.
5.	 The LEA provides assurance that it will meet the following federal requirements: Establish annual goals for student achievement on the State's assessments in both reading/language arts and mathematics, measure progress on the leading indicators in section III of the final requirements and establish goals to hold schools receiving school improvement funds accountable. If it implements a restart model in a school, hold the charter operator, charter management organization, or education management organization accountable for complying with the final requirements, and it includes these terms in its contract or provisions. Monitor and evaluate the actions a school has taken, as outlined in the approved TTIPS application, to recruit, select and provide oversight to external providers to ensure their quality. Monitor and evaluate the actions schools have taken, as outlined in the approved TTIPS application, to sustain the reforms after the funding period ends and that it will provide technical assistance to schools to sustain progress in the absence of TTIPS funding. Report school-level data to the SEA required under section III of the final requirements, and included in the Program Guidelines of this RFA.
6.	The LEA provides assurance that it will participate in any evaluation of the grant conducted by the U.S. Department of Education, including its contractors, or the Texas Education Agency, including its contractors.
7.	The LEA/campus provides assurance that if it selects to implement the Transformation Model, the campus will meet all of the following federal requirements: 1. Develop and increase teacher and school leader effectiveness. (A) Replace the principal who led the school prior to commencement of the transformation model; (B) Use rigorous, transparent, and equitable evaluation systems for teachers and principals that— i. Take into account data on student growth as a significant factor as well as other factors such as multiple observation-based assessments of performance and ongoing collections of professional practice reflective of student achievement and increased high school graduation rates; and ii. Uses the definition of student growth as: the change in achievement for an individual student between two or more points in time. For grades in which the State administers summative assessments in reading/ language arts and mathematics, student growth data must be based on a student's score on the State's assessment under section 1111(b)(3) of the ESEA. A State may also include other measures that are rigorous and comparable
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iii. Are designed and developed with teacher and principal involvement;

- (C) Identify and reward school leaders, teachers, and other staff who, in implementing this model, have increased student achievement and high school graduation rates and identify and remove those who, after ample opportunities have been provided for them to improve their professional practice, have not done so;
- (D) Provide staff ongoing, high-quality, job-embedded professional development (e.g., regarding subject-specific pedagogy, instruction that reflects a deeper understanding of the community served by the school, or differentiated instruction) that is aligned with the school's comprehensive instructional program and designed with school staff to ensure they are equipped to facilitate effective teaching and learning and have the capacity to successfully implement school reform strategies; and
- (E) Implement such strategies as financial incentives, increased opportunities for promotion and career growth, and more flexible work conditions that are designed to recruit, place, and retain staff with the skills necessary to meet the needs of the students in a transformation school.
- 2. Deliver comprehensive instructional reform strategies.
 - (A) Use data to identify and implement an instructional program that is research-based and vertically aligned from one grade to the next as well as aligned with State academic standards; and
 - (B) Promote the continuous use of student data (such as from formative, interim, and summative assessments) to inform and differentiate instruction in order to meet the academic needs of individual students.
- 3. Increase learning time and create community-oriented schools.
 - (A) Establish schedules and strategies that provide increased learning time; using a longer day, week or year; and by addressing each of the following areas:
 - i. Additional time for instruction in core academic subjects including English, reading or language arts, mathematics, science, foreign languages, civics and government, economics, arts, history, and geography.
 - ii. Additional time for instruction in other subjects and enrichment activities that contribute to a well-rounded education, including, for example, physical education, service learning, and experiential and work based learning opportunities that are provided by partnering, as appropriate, with other organizations.
 - iii. Additional time for teachers to collaborate, plan, and engage in professional development within and across grades and content areas.
 - (B) Provide ongoing mechanisms for family and community engagement.
- 4. Providing operational flexibility and sustained support.
 - (A) Give the school sufficient operational flexibility (such as staffing, calendars/time, and budgeting) to implement fully a comprehensive approach to substantially improve student achievement outcomes and increase high school graduation rates; and

Ensure that the school receives ongoing, intensive technical assistance and related support from the LEA, the SEA, or a designated external lead partner organization (such as a school turnaround organization or an education management organization (EMO)).

The LEA/campus provides assurance that if it selects to implement the <u>Texas State-Design Model</u>, the campus will deliver a comprehensive school improvement strategy, implemented for all students in the school, which is consistent with the Texas concept for developing an *Early College High School* (ECHS).

By implementing an ECHS, the LEA/campus is delivering a whole-school reform model that:

- Improves student academic achievement or attainment
- Is implemented for all students in the school

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- Addresses in a comprehensive and coordinated manner:
 - improvement in school leadership
 - improvement in teaching and learning in academic content areas
 - o professional learning for educators
 - student non-academic supports

In doing so, the LEA/campus will implement the following:

- 1. Pursue designation as a Texas Early College High School, with a target of earning TEA ECHS designation and full-operation as an ECHS, no later than the start of the second year of the TTIPS grant implementation period; Fall 2017.
- 2. Provide a rigorous course of study that enables students to receive a high school diploma and complete

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- the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board's (THECB) core curriculum; or an associate's degree; or at least 60 credit hours toward a baccalaureate degree during grades 9-12.
- 3. Provide college credit earned through the high school years for all students at no cost; including tuition, fees and textbook costs.
- 4. Develop and increase teacher and school leader effectiveness, in a manner consistent with the requirements of the federal school improvement grant Transformation model. I doing so, the LEA/campus must use rigorous, transparent and equitable evaluation systems for teachers and principals that take into account data on student growth as a significant factor, as well as other factors such as multiple observation-based assessments of performance and ongoing collections of professional practice reflective of student achievement.
- 5. While implementing for all students, the program specifically identifies students for more intensive supports. These students include those at-risk for dropping out of school, as defined in Texas statedefined criteria in TEC §29.081, and students historically underrepresented in college courses. In developing and providing the more intensive supports, the LEA/campus will have:
 - (A) Data to identify the population at risk of dropping out of school;
 - (B) Quantitative and qualitative data to identify students least likely to attend college/those historically underrepresented in college courses;
 - (C) Early College brochures in all languages relevant to the school community;
 - (D) Written communication plan for relevant target audiences: parents, community members, school

Adapted from Texas Early College High School Blueprint, Benchmark 1

- 6. By the start of TTIPS full-implementation (Fall 2017), the LEA/campus will have key partnerships in place that will enable success as an ECHS. Key partnerships include:
 - (A) Partnership between the school district and an institute of higher education (IHE) that:
 - i. Is marked by a signed Memoranda of Understanding with current signature each year of implementation.
 - Defines the partnership between the LEA/campus and the IHE and addresses topics including, but not limited to: the ECHS location, the allocation of costs for tuition, fees, textbooks, and student transportation;
 - iii. Defines an active partnership between the school district(s) and the IHE(s), which shall include joint decision-making procedures that allow for the planning and implementation of a coherent program across institutions; and
 - iv. Includes provisions and processes for collecting, sharing, and reviewing program and student data to assess the progress of the ECHS.
 - (B) Contract/partner with a Texas ECHS demonstration site or other Texas ECHS that has retained designation for at least the last four consecutive years and assessed as exemplary using the Texas ECHS Blueprint, or other ECHS selected as a match partner site by the TEA.

Adapted from Texas Early College High School Blueprint, Benchmark 2.

7. By the start of TTIPS planning/pre-implementation year (February 1, 2017), the LEA and key partners must have developed and be maintaining a leadership team focused on P-16 Leadership Initiatives that meets regularly to address issues of the ECHS design and sustainability. At minimum, the membership shall include the campus principal and individuals with decision-making authority from both the LEA and IHE.

Adapted from Texas Early College High School Blueprint, Benchmark 3.

- 8. Once designated, the LEA/campus will work with a TEA approved Texas ECHS technical assistance provider, and fulfill any conditions required to maintain TEA designation status.
- 9. Provide a curriculum that offers a rigorous and accelerated course of study, in both college-credit bearing courses and preparatory/college readiness courses. Additionally, the program must provide students with the academic, emotional and social supports necessary to be successful in the rigorous course of study. The curriculum and supports must meet the following:
 - (A) Beginning in TTIPS first year of full-implementation (Fall 2017), have curriculum in place that allows all students to graduate high school with at least six semester credit hours toward a baccalaureate degree.
 - (B) By TTIPS second year of full-implementation (Fall 2018), have curriculum in place that enables

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- students to receive a high school diploma and complete the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board's (THECB) core curriculum (as defined by TAC §4.28); or an associate's degree; or at least 60 credit hours toward a baccalaureate degree during grades 9-12.
- (C) Possess a written course of study plan showing how students will progress as an ECHS graduate.

 The plan must provide pathways to a baccalaureate degree and follow the courses and fields of study listed in the THECB Lower Division Academic Course Guide Manual.
- (D) Beginning in the TTIPS first year of full-implementation, the campus will provide academic supports to the students in the form of: extended learning time sessions for tutoring, advisory and/or college readiness support time built into the program of study, and a college-readiness mentorship program.
- (E) Beginning in the TTIPS planning/pre-implementation year, the campus will provide social and emotional supports to the students, including: connections to social services, parent outreach and involvement opportunities.
- (F) Beginning in the TTIPS first year of full-implementation, the campus will provide college awareness and access services to students and families, including: college application assistance, financial aid counseling, college and career counseling.

Adapted from Texas Early College High School Blueprint, Benchmark 4.

- 10. By the TTIPS first year of full-implementation, the campus shall provide for the administration of the Texas Success Initiative (TSI) college placement exam to students in order to assess college readiness, design individual instruction plans, and enable students to begin college courses based on their performance. Fees associated with assessment administrations must be waived/covered for all students.
 - Adapted from Texas Early College High School Blueprint, Benchmark 5.
- 11. By the start of the TTIPS second year of full-implementation (Fall 2017), the campus will provide a full-day program that operates with:
 - (A) An IHE liaison with decision-making authority who interacts directly and frequently with the campus staff and administrators;
 - (B) A highly qualified teaching staff possessing appropriate level of certification, training and ongoing supports to teach college-bearing courses to high school students.
 - (C) Clear opportunities for students to have regular use (at least six times per school year) of college academic facilities, regardless of early college school site.
 - (D) Opportunities for high school faculty and staff to receive regular training and support; in collaboration with the IHE faculty and staff.

Adapted from Texas Early College High School Blueprint, Benchmark 6.

The Texas concept for an Early College High School is fully described in the following resources:

- Texas Education Agency, Early College High School program
- Texas Education Code §29.908
- Texas Administrative Code §4.161
- 19 Texas Administrative Code Chapter 102 Educational Programs Subchapter GG: <u>Commissioner's Rules</u> Concerning Early College Education Program

The applicant provides assurances that the LEA/campus administering the state-design model will apply for Texas ECHS designation, no later than applications are available for schools that wish to be designated for the 2018-2019 school year.

The LEA/campus provides assurance that if it selects to implement the <u>Early Learning Intervention Model</u>, the campus will implement in an elementary school and in accordance with the following federal and state requirements:

- 1. Implement in an elementary school that is eligible under this grant program; further assuring that any student receiving services funded through the grant program is enrolled in the grantee school.
- 2. Offer full-day kindergarten.

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- 3. Establish or expand a high-quality preschool program. A high-quality program includes structural elements that are evidence-based and nationally recognized as important for ensuring quality. Implementation under this grant program must meet the requirements of a high-quality preschool program, as defined in the U.S. Department of Education's Preschool Development Grants program. Under this definition, program must have:
 - (A) High staff qualifications, including a teacher with a bachelor's degree in early childhood education or a bachelor's degree in any field with a state-approved alternative pathway;

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students.

The LEA/campus provides assurance that if it selects to implement the Turnaround Model, the campus will meet all of the following federal requirements:

1. Replace the principal and grant the new principal sufficient operational flexibility (including in staffing, calendars/time, and budgeting) to fully implement a comprehensive approach to substantially improve student achievement outcomes and increase high school graduation rates;

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 2. Use locally adopted competencies to measure the effectiveness of staff who can work within the turnaround environment to meet the needs of students;
 - (A) Screen all existing staff and rehire no more than 50 percent; and
 - (B) Select new staff
 - 3. Implement such strategies as financial incentives, increased opportunities for promotion and career growth, and more flexible work conditions that are designed to recruit, place, and retain staff with the skills necessary to meet the needs of the students in the turnaround school
 - 4. Provide staff ongoing, high-quality, job-embedded professional development that is aligned with the school's comprehensive instructional program and designed with school staff to ensure that they are equipped to facilitate effective teaching and learning and have the capacity to successfully implement school reform strategies;
 - 5. Adopt a new governance structure, which may include, but is not limited to, requiring the school to report to a new turnaround office in the LEA or SEA, hire a turnaround leader who reports directly to the Superintendent or Chief Academic Officer, or enter into a multi-year contract with the LEA or SEA to obtain added flexibility in exchange for greater accountability;
 - 6. Use data to identify and implement an instructional program that is research-based and vertically aligned from one grade to the next, as well as aligned with State academic standards;
 - 7. Promote the continuous use of student data (such as from formative, interim, and summative assessments) to inform and differentiate instruction in order to meet the academic needs of individual students;
 - 8. Establish schedules and strategies that provide increased learning time; using a longer day, week or year; and by addressing each of the following areas:
 - (A) Additional time for instruction in core academic subjects including English, reading or language arts, mathematics, science, foreign languages, civics and government, economics, arts, history, and geography.
 - (B) Additional time for instruction in other subjects and enrichment activities that contribute to a well-rounded education, including, for example, physical education, service learning, and experiential and work based learning opportunities that are provided by partnering, as appropriate, with other organizations.
 - (C) Additional time for teachers to collaborate, plan, and engage in professional development within and across grades and content areas.
 - 9. Provide appropriate social-emotional and community-oriented services and supports for students. If selecting the turnaround model, the applicant agrees to the participation of the campus principal or principal candidates in a formative assessment of their turnaround leadership capacity.

The LEA/campus provides assurance that if it selects to implement the <u>Whole-School Reform Model</u>, the campus will meet all of the following federal requirements:

- 1. Implement an evidence-based whole-school reform in partnership with a model developer.
 - (A) The model developer is an entity or individual that either has proprietary rights to the model or an entity or individual that has a demonstrated record of success in implementing wholeschool reform models in one or more low-achieving school.
- 2. The whole-school reform model selected must be supported by at least one study that demonstrates its efficacy. The federal SIG office has approved specific whole-school reform models that meet this evidence standard, published here: http://www2.ed.gov/programs/sif/sigevidencebased/index.html These approved models are supported by:
 - (A) A study of efficacy that meets What Works Clearinghouse evidence standards.
 - (B) A study that shows statistically significant favorable impact on student academic achievement or attainment outcome.
 - (C) A study which used a large sample and multi-site sampling.
- 3. Evidence supporting the efficacy of the whole-school model selected is based on an implementation with a sample population or setting similar to the population or setting of the school being served. The whole-school model must be designed to improve academic achievement or attainment.
- 4. The whole-school model must implement the model for all students in the school.
- 5. The whole-school model must address at a minimum and in a comprehensive and coordinated manner:
 - (A) School leadership
 - (B) Teaching and learning in at least one full academic content area

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19.	The applicant provides assurance that it will continue to fully engage in all required elements of Texas Accountability Interventions System (TAIS) framework; regardless of model selected for implementation. All TTIPS grant awarded schools are required to submit an annual improvement plan and quarterly progress reports documenting school's continuous processes around data analysis, needs assessment, planning, implementation and monitoring; as delineated in the TAIS framework. If awarded under this grant opportunity, the applicant also provides assurance that it will engage in necessary effort to align and complement existing school improvement strategies, goals and interventions in their final approved TTIPS grant, in order to effectively deliver a single and comprehensive school improvement plan.
20.	The applicant provides assurance that at the close of the pre-implementation period, it will prepare and submit an Implementation Readiness Portfolio to the TEA TTIPS program office. Specific requirements for the portfolio are included in the Program Guidelines for this RFA. The applicant understands that support specialists in the TEA TTIPS program office will conduct a comprehensive review and assessment of the Implementation Readiness Portfolio and qualitative data obtained through onsite observations and staff interviews. The applicant assures it will engage with the TEA program office to provide clarifications and adjustments to the portfolio, based on the review and assessment recommendations.
21.	The applicant provides assurances that it will participate in and make use of technical assistance and coaching support provided by TEA and/or its subcontractors.
22.	The applicant will participate in formative assessments of the LEA's capacity and commitment to carry out the grant intervention models.
23.	The applicant will provide access for onsite visits to the LEA and campus by TEA and its contractors.
24.	The LEA/campus assures TEA that data to meet federal requirements will be available and reported as requested. A list of required data elements is included in the Program Guidelines for this RFA.

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Part 1: Submitting an Amendment

Amendment # (for amendments only):

This schedule is used to amend a grant application that has been approved by TEA and issued a Notice of Grant Award (NOGA). **Do not submit this schedule with the original grant application.** Refer to the instructions to this schedule for information on what schedules must be submitted with an amendment.

An amendment may be submitted by mail **or** by fax. Do not submit the same amendment by both methods. Amendments submitted via email will not be accepted.

If the amendment is mailed, submit three copies of each schedule pertinent to the amendment to the following address: Document Control Center, Division of Grants Administration, Texas Education Agency, 1701 N. Congress Ave., Austin. TX 78701-1494.

If the amendment is faxed, submit one copy of each schedule pertinent to the amendment to either of the following fax numbers; (512) 463-9811 or (512) 463-7915.

The last day to submit an amendment to TEA is listed on the <u>TEA Grant Opportunities</u> page. An amendment is effective on the day TEA receives it in substantially approvable form. All amendments are subject to review and approval by TEA.

Part 2: When an Amendment Is Required

For all grants, regardless of dollar amount, prior written approval is required to make certain changes to the application. Refer to the "When to Amend the Application" guidance posted in the Amendment Submission Guidance section of the Division of Grants Administration Administering a Grant page to determine when an amendment is required for this grant. Use that guidance to complete Part 3 and Part 4 of this schedule.

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#	Schedule #	Class/ Object Code	Grand Total from Previously Approved Budget	Amount Deleted	Agount	New Grand Total
1.	Schedule #7: Payroll	6100	\$			\$
2.	Schedule #8: Contracted Services	620	\$ 40	\$		\$
3.	Schedule #9: Supplies and Materia	630			\$	\$
4.	Schedule #10: Oth Op rations	64 4		\$	\$	\$
5.	Schedule #11: Cap	6/ 0		\$	\$	\$
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8.	T	otal costs:	\$	\$	\$	\$

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Year 1 2016-2017	Year 2 2017-2018	Year 3 2018-2019	Year 4 2019-2020	4-Year Total Budget Request
\$	\$	\$	\$	\$

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Schedule #5—Program Executive Summary

County-district number or vendor ID: 108-913

Amendment # (for amendments only):

Provide a brief overview of the program you plan to deliver.

Please focus the response on the qualities that enable this specific campus and district team to achieve foundational pursuits of a school improvement undertaking: **accelerated achievement**, **system transformation**, and **sustained reform**.

Summarize the district commitments to achieve foundational elements through the district's:

- Vision and focus for school reform
- · Sense of urgent need for change
- High expectations for results
- Operational flexibilities that will be afforded the campus in a reform effort

Summarize the district and campus capacity and ability to benefit from this grant in terms of:

- Organizational structures
- Existing capacity and resources
- Communication structures

Response is limited to space provided, front side only, font size no smaller than 10 point Arial.

Weslaco East High School is a Focus campus comprised of eager, motivated, and enthusiastic campus/district personnel, including a new Principal, ready to make significant school improvements. If awarded, the campus will utilize grant funds to implement a high-quality, school-wide Early College High School utilizing the **Texas State-Design Model**. The proposed program deliver a comprehensive school improvement strategy, implemented for all students in the school, which is consistent with the Texas concept for developing an Early College High School (ECHS). The proposed program is designed to create an innovative high school that enables students to graduate with a high school diploma and an associate degree; or high school diploma and 60 college credit hours toward a baccalaureate degree.

Vision and Focus for School Reform: The Campus Intervention Team/P-16 Leadership Initiatives Team's vision is vividly clear that it must exit Focus status. Therefore, the team has designed a program that demonstrates a clear ability to benefit from grant resources based on a clear vision for school reform, secured district/campus commitments, and existing capacity and resources. The team has discussed the importance of well-planned organizational and communication structures that should enable reforms to take place. (10 pts.) In order to ensure the success of the program in implementing long-term reforms, Weslaco East High School administrators will continue beyond the grant design to work with staff, students and community members to ensure that the vision remains clear, compelling, and connected to teaching and learning. This collective vision will help the campus to focus on what is important, motivate staff and students, and increase the sense of shared responsibility for student learning. The grant funds will help the campus implement school reform through the implementation of the following measures:

- Designing an ECHS Model that will allow students to graduate with a high school diploma and an Associate Degree; or high school diploma and 60 college credit hours toward a Baccalaureate Degree at no cost to the student;
- Developing and increasing teacher and school leader effectiveness through use of the Texas Teacher Evaluation and Support System and Texas Principal Evaluation and Support System;
- Identifying students requiring more intensive support including those at-risk of dropping out and historically underrepresented in college courses;
- Developing key partnerships that will enable the high school to succeed as an Early College High School;
- Developing and maintaining a leadership team that will focus on P-16 Leadership Initiatives;
- Developing a curriculum that will offer a rigorous and accelerated course of study, in both college-credit bearing courses and preparatory/college readiness courses;
- Providing a school-wide program at an autonomous high school by the start of the second year of the TTIPS
 Program.

Sense of Urgent Need for Change: The district/campus personnel and school board understand the urgent need for change. Currently, the campus contributes to the State's achievement gap by having deficiencies in the academic performance of student subgroups over a number of years. So, the vision for school reform and staff accountability will be clearly communicated to and understood by students, parents, school professionals and the community.

High Expectations for Results: High academic expectations will be placed on students and staff. Staff accountability and school reform measures will be made clear. This will include: 1.) Campus staff may face termination or may not have their contracts renewed; 2.) Campus staff may be reassigned to a different campus; 3.) Staff will be made aware if significant changes are not made, that Texas Education Agency may assign a management team or monitor to oversee the campus operations; and could lead to the campus being closed down and students reassigned to other campuses.

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Schedule #5—Program Executive Summary (cont.)

County-district number or vendor ID: 108-913

Amendment # (for amendments only):

Provide a brief overview of the program you plan to deliver. Refer to the instructions for a description of the requested elements of the summary. Response is limited to space provided, front side only, font size no smaller than 10 point Arial.

In order to meet high expectations academically, milestones have been identified that will be used to measure whether or not the campus is on track. The vision for campus reform will be monitored by setting measurable goals that will be met. Each goal is aligned to one of the seven Critical Success Factors (CSF) that have been identified by TEA as being impactful to achieving continuous school improvement. The following objectives will serve milestones:

	PROGRAM OBJECTIVES		
#	Objectives	CSF	
1.	The campus will conduct a minimum of 3 professional development trainings during Yr 1.	Increased	teacher
2.	The campus will conduct a minimum of 5 professional development trainings during Yrs 2-4.	quality.	
3.	Increase the percentage of students who meet STAAR proficiency in English I End-of-		academic
ŀ	Course (EOC) from 57% to 62% and English II EOC from 58% to 63% by the end of Year 2	performance.	
	and will have a minimum of a 3% increase each subsequent year.		
4.	Increase the % of students who meet STAAR proficiency in Algebra I EOC from 78% to 81%		
	by the end of Year 2 and will have a minimum of a 3% increase each subsequent year.		
5.	Increase the % of students who test At/Above Criterion on the SAT/ACT test from 4.2% to		
	14.2% by the end of Year 2 and have a minimum of a 3% increase each subsequent year.		
6.	Increase the % of students who graduate college-ready in both ELA and Math from 42% to		
	47% by the end of Year 2 with a minimum of a 3% increase each subsequent year.		
7.	The campus will decrease the number of at-risk students from 66.3% to 63.3% by the end of	Improve	school
	Year 2 and will continue to decrease each subsequent year by 3%.	climate.	
8.	In order to increase parental involvement, the campus will create and hold 5 new school-	Increase co	ommunity/
		family engage	
9.	The campus will devise 8 new instances starting in Yr 2 to review data in order to refine	Increase the	use of
	classroom instruction, training plans, and program outcomes annually.	quality data.	

In order to ensure that the campus meets the program goals, milestones have been identified that will be used to measure whether or not the campus is on track. These milestones will serve as process-based goals that will help ensure that procedures, activities, and services are being conducted. Data will be collected through surveys, test and classroom grades, and PEIMS reports in order to monitor Performance Measures and determine whether the program is being successful in showing program growth.

Operational Flexibilities that will be Afforded the Campus in a Reform Effort: The district will provide the campus with operational flexibility, to include staffing, calendars, time, and budgeting) to implement a comprehensive approach to substantially increase student achievement. Initiatives will include: Providing teachers the opportunity to attend professional development trainings that support priority school initiatives; Meeting with campus administrators to develop campus calendars to include added opportunities to engage parents and community members in the student culture; Increased planning time provided through Professional Learning Communities (PLCs); Increasing the learning day and providing tutorials; and Meeting with instructional staff to determine what resources are needed to engage students.

Organizational Structures: The district and campus organizational structures will be revisited to ensure everyone knows who does what. In order to have an efficient and properly functioning campus, staff, students, and community will be made aware of who handles each kind of task. Administration and staff will create an organizational structure with clearly defined roles, functions, scopes of authority and systems so that everyone is working together to accomplish school reform.

Existing Capacity and Resources: The campus will build upon existing capacity and resources that are available at the campus and district level. This will include assigning teachers and staff that have a proven record of success with stipends to serve as teacher mentors, converting existing campus space to serve as computer labs, enhancing existing academic programs, and offering after-school tutorials in order to make significant school reform changes.

Communication Structures: The campus will schedule quarterly meetings with district and campus administration in order to review the program's progress. The meetings will be open to the public in order to encourage parent and community participation and ensure program transparency. Stakeholders will be notified of dates of meetings through campus marque; campus website; and through the parent notification service flyers, which will be posted throughout the school, community, as well as, be sent home to parents. In addition, the meetings will be uploaded to the district and campus websites so that all interested parties that could not attend can view at their own convenience.

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				Schedu	ile #6—Progr	le #6—Program Budget Summary	<u>summary</u>				
County-district	County-district number or vendor ID: 108-913	108-913				Amendment a	Amendment # (for amendments only):	ents only):			
Program autho	Program authority: P.L. 107-110 ESEA, as amended by the NCLB Act of 200	≟A, as ame	anded by the N(CLB Act of 200	11, Section 1003(g)	3(g)					
Grant period: I	Grant period: February 1, 2017, to July 31, 2020, pending future federal allocations	ıly 31, 202	0, pending futu	re federal alloc	ations	Fund code: 276	92				. Circles resident Circles
Budget Summary	ımary		AW WATERWAY AND A STATE OF THE					The state of the s			
Schedule #	Title	Class/ Object Code	Year 1 Program Cost	Year 1 Admin Cost	Year 2 Program Cost	Year 2 Admin Cost	Year 3 Program Cost	Year 3 Admin Cost	Year 4 Program Cost	Year 4 Admin Cost	Total Budgeted Cost across all Years
Schedule #7	Payroll Costs (6100)	6100	\$651,487	\$0	\$1,313,829	0\$	\$1,325,211	0\$	\$1,336,707	0\$	\$4,627,234
Schedule #8	Professional and Contracted Services (6200)	6200	\$223,958	\$10,000	\$405,700	\$20,000	\$425,700	\$20,000	\$435,700	\$20,000	\$1,561,058
Schedule #9	Supplies and Materials (6300)	9300	\$403,552	0\$	\$178,646	0\$	\$148,269	\$0	\$126,773	O\$	\$857,240
Schedule #10	Other Operating Costs (6400)	6400	\$10,377	0\$	\$10,005	\$0	000'6\$	\$0	\$9,000	\$0	\$38,382
Schedule #11	Capital Outlay (6600)	0099	\$20,000	0\$	\$25,000	0\$	\$25,000	0\$	\$25,000	0\$	\$95,000
Consolidate.	Consolidate Administrative Funds	☐ Yes X No	(No								
	Total d	Total direct costs:	\$1,309,374	\$10,000	\$1,933,180	\$20,000	\$1,933,180	\$20,000	\$1,933,180	\$20,000	\$7,178,914
	2.341% indirect costs (see note):	(see note):	N/A	\$31,626	N/A	\$46,820	N/A	\$46,820	N/A	\$46,820	\$172,086
Grand total of bu each column):	Grand total of budgeted costs (add all entries in each column):	tries in	\$1,309,374	\$41,626	\$1,933,180	\$66,820	\$1,933,180	\$66,820	\$1,933,180	\$66,820	\$7,351,000
					Administrative	Administrative Cost Calculation	Ľ.				
Enter the total g	Enter the total grant amount requested:									\$7,351,000	
Percentage limit	Percentage limit on administrative costs established for the program (5%):	sstablished t	for the program (5%):						× .05	
Multiply and rou This is the maxil	Multiply and round down to the nearest whole dollar. Enter the result. This is the maximum amount allowable for administrative costs, including indirect costs.	rhole dollar. Ir administra	Enter the result.	ling indirect costs	in					\$367,550	
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NOTE: Indirect costs are calculated and reimbursed based on actual expenditures when reported in the expenditure reporting system, regardless of the amount budgeted and approved in the grant application. If indirect costs are claimed, they are part of the total grant award amount.

Indirect costs are not required to be budgeted in the grant application in order to be charged to the grant. Do not submit an amendment solely for the purpose of budgeting indirect costs.

NOTE:

- No more than \$2,000,000 per year may be requested.
- Year 1 is designed to be a planning/pre-implementation period, lasting from February 1, 2017 to July 31, 2017. Costs budgeted for this period should be reasonable and necessary for the shorter time period and type of activity.
- Years 2, 3, and 4; operating in school years 2017-2018, 2018-2019, and 2019-2020, are designed to be full implementation years.

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	ω	Employee Position Title	Estimated # of Positions 100% Grant Funded	Estimated # of Positions <100% Grant Funded	Year 1 Amount Budgeted	Year 2 Amount Budgeted	Year 3 Amount Budgeted	Year 4 Amount Budgeted	Total Budgeted Costs across all Years
Acade	mic/Insti	Academic/Instructional))		À	
~	Teacher	J.c.	2		\$55,300	\$113,600	\$116,600	\$119,600	\$405,100
2	Educat	Educational aide							
က	Tutor								
Progra	m Mana	Program Management and Administration							
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Other !	=mploye	Other Employee Positions	3					3	
10	Instruc	Instructional Coaches	2		\$65,000	\$133,000	\$136,000	\$139,000	\$473,000
11	Colleg	College Readiness Specialist (Counselor)			\$35,000	\$72,100	\$74,263	\$76,491	\$257,854
13			Su	Subtotal employee costs:	\$197,800	\$405,400	\$415,297	\$425,294	\$1,443,791
Substi	tute, Ext	Substitute, Extra-Duty Pay, Benefits Costs	THE PROPERTY OF THE PROPERTY O	The second secon		_			
14	6112	day)	= \$360		\$360	\$360	\$360	\$360	\$1,440
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15	6119	Instructional Planning Time: 146 Teachers x \$25/hour		x 36 hours = \$131,400	\$98,100	\$196,200	\$196,200	\$196,200	\$686,700
,	3	Extended Learning/ Lutoring: 8 Leachers x \$25/hour x		324 hours = \$64,800					
16	6121	Support staff extra-duty pay							
17	6140	Employee benefits			\$84,977	\$171,369	\$172,854	\$174,353	\$603,553
		Employee stipends							
	~~~~	Specify amounts and criteria to earn stipend:	stipend:	alabata of adapta			and an annual section of the section		er en
		demonstrating growth from previous campus-wide percentage.	campus-wide percentac	rei cerniage or students					recommendencies
		Administrator Stipend - \$4,000	, 000					-	wilani wika na ili
29	61XX	Teacher and Lead Teacher stipends will be based on t	will be based on the cla	the class-wide percentage of	\$270.250	\$540 500	\$540.500	\$540.500	\$1 891 750
		students demonstrating growth from previous class-wire Teacher Stingard 148 v \$3 000 = \$438 000	previous class-wide per	de percentage.	1	) ) )			
	مەخشىمىسى	• Lead Teacher Stipend - 8 x \$5,000 = \$40,000	. \$5.000 = \$40.000						
	<b></b>	Teachers who continue their education will be		eligible to receive tuition					
		reimbursement for their Master's Degree after completion.  • Master's Tuition Reimbursement - 25 v 82 340 = 858 500	gree after completion.	מטא אי	and the second				***************************************
19			Subtotal substitute, ex	Subtotal substitute, extra-duty, benefits costs	\$453,687	\$908,429	\$909,914	\$911,413	\$3,183,443
8	Grai	Grand total (Subtotal employee costs plus subtotal substitute, extra-duty, benefits	dus subtotal substitute	extra-duty, benefits					
70			TO THE REAL PROPERTY OF THE PR	costs):	\$651,487	\$1,313,829	\$1,325,211	\$1,336,707	\$4,627,234

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	Schedule #8Professio	-Professional and Contracted Services (6200)	d Services (6200			
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NOT not o	<b>NOTE:</b> Specifying an individual vendor in a grant application does not meet the appli not constitute approval of a sole-source provider.	cable requirements	for sole-source p	leet the applicable requirements for sole-source providers. TEA's approval of such grant applications does	roval of such grant	applications does
<u></u>	Professional and Contracted Services Requiring Specific Approval	d Services Requiri	ng Specific Appr	oval		
	Expense Item Description	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Total Budgeted across all Years
6269	Rental or lease of buildings, space in buildings, or land Specify purpose:					0\$
	a. Subtotal of professional and contracted services (6200) costs requiring specific approval:	\$	0\$	0\$	\$0	80
		rofessional and Contracted Services	rvices			
#	Description of Service and Purpose	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Total Budgeted across all Years
-	National School Climate - Will promote a positive and sustained school climate that nurtures social, emotional, ethical, and academic skills.	\$5,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$35,000
2	ECHS Demonstration Site - Will provide instructional materials, teacher coaching, and extra-duty work to assist in implementing the Texas State Design Model.	\$7,500	\$17,500	\$17,500	\$17,500	\$60,000
ဗ	External Evaluator - Will provide evaluation services to include surveys, walk-throughs, discussions, and quarterly and annual reports.	\$10,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$70,000
4	Region Service Center - Will offer a host of professional development trainings designed to improve teachers' and staff's leadership and instructional abilities.	\$16,500	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$121,500
ည	TES-Rtl Software Training - Will provide training on ELA Rtl software.	\$2,500	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$17,500
9	Texas Virtual School Network - Will provide online courses to students.	0\$	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$105,000
7	CTC – Will provide a variety of on-going, high-quality, job-embedded professional development trainings and workshops for district and campus administrators, teachers, and parents. The trainings will be aligned to the Texas-State Design Model.	\$134,858	\$128,200	\$128,200	\$128,200	\$519,458
8	CTC-Technology PD – Will provide training on newly acquired technology.	\$15,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$90,000
6	CIS - Will provide community-oriented services; thus, empowering students to stay in school and achieve in life.	\$12,500	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$87,500
10	TSI Testing – Will cover students' TSI testing fees.	\$10,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$70,000
-	Sure Score - Will provide ACT, SAT, and TSI test preparation for students.	\$20,100	\$65,000	000'59\$	\$65,000	\$215,100
12	South Texas College - Will provide students with college-level courses.	\$0	\$40,000	\$60,000	\$70,000	\$170,000
	<ul><li>b. Subtotal of professional and contracted services:</li></ul>	\$233,958	\$425,700	\$445,700	\$455,700	\$1,561,058
	c. Remaining 6200—Professional and contracted services that do not require specific approval:	0\$	80	0\$	0\$	0\$
	(Sum of lines a, b, and c) Grand total	\$233,958	\$425,700	\$445,700	\$455,700	\$1,561,058

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			Expense Item Description			Y ear 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Total Budgeted Across all Years
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·····	#	Туре	Purpose	Quantity	Unit Cost					
	_	Laptops	Will be utilized by DCSI (1), Principal (1), Instructional Coaches (2), New Instructional Teachers (2), and Lead Teachers (8) to track students' progress, create lesson plans, complete surveys, and view online trainings.	4	\$1,000	\$14,000				\$14,000
63XX	~	Printers	Will be utilized by TTIPS staff and students to print data results, surveys and questionnaires, and classroom assignments.	2	\$600	\$4,200				\$4,200
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allenhadd i deill a deil a	4	Student Laptops		460	\$650	\$169,000	\$39,000	\$39,000	\$52,000	\$299,000
	5	Laptop Carts	Will be utilized to store and charge laptops while not in use by students. Each storage cart will hold a maximum of 20 laptops.	23	\$650	\$8,450	\$1,950	\$1,950	\$2,600	\$14,950
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VV00		Specify type/purpose:	ie:							*************
63XX		Textbooks/Curricular Materials	ar Materials							***************************************
	ଊୖଌଌୢ	pecify type/ purpo ollege testing materi ooks will be checked nary that will allow th	Specify type/ purpose: Student Testing Materials and Books - Will be utilized to provide students with college testing material such as scantrons, as well as, required college course books. The college course books will be checked out by students on a per-semester basis. The high school will create a course book library that will allow the campus to reduce the cost of purchasing new books over time.	ed to provide a books. The co of will create a or time.	students with ollege course course book	\$20,000	000'09	\$45,000	30,000	\$155,000
63XX		upplies and mater	Supplies and materials to be used as student incentives	***************************************				:		
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6300		upplies and mater	Supplies and materials that do not require specific approval:			\$12,902	12,696	12,319	10,923	\$48,840
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	Schedule #10—Other Operating Costs (6400)	Operating Costs	(6400)			
County-	County-District Number or Vendor ID: 108-913	***************************************	Aπ	nendment number	Amendment number (for amendments only):	ınly):
	Expense Item Description	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Total Budgeted Across all Years
6411	Out-of-state travel for employees. Must be allowable per Program Guidelines and must attach Out-of-State Travel Justification Form.	- Alfaun				
6412	Travel for students (includes registration fees; does not include field trips): Specific approval required only for nonprofit organizations. Specify purpose:					
6412/ 6494	Educational Field Trip(s). Must be allowable per Program Guidelines and must attach Educational Field Trip Justification Form.	The state of the s	To the state of th			
6413	Stipends for non-employees other than those included in 6419					
6419	Non-employee costs for conferences. Requires authorization in writing.					
6411/ 6419	Travel costs for officials such as Executive Director, Superintendent, or Local Board Members. Allowable only when such costs are directly related to the grant. Must be allowable per Program Guidelines and must attach Out-of-State Travel Justification Form, if applicable.					
64XX	Advisory council/committee travel or other expenses Specify name and purpose of council: Specify types of costs:					
6495	Cost of membership in civic or community organizations Specify name and purpose of organization: Specify purpose of membership:					
Subtota	Subtotal other operating costs requiring specific approval:	0\$	0\$	0\$	0\$	0\$
Rema	Remaining 6400—Other operating costs that do not require specific approval:  Travel to attend required state trainings, local professional development trainings, and ECHS demonstration site (s).	\$10,377	\$10,005	000'6\$	000'6\$	\$38,382
	Grand total:	\$10,377	\$10,005	000'6\$	\$9,000	\$38,382

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	Schedu	le #11—Cap	Schedule #11—Capital Outlay (6600)	(009)			
County-District Number or Vendor ID: 108-913				Ame	indment number	Amendment number (for amendments only)	s only):
# Description and Purpose	Quantity	Unit Cost	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Total Budgeted Across all Years
6669—Library Books and Media (capitalized and controlled	rolled by library	'ary)		The same of the sa			
	N/A	N/A					
66XX—Computing Devices, capitalized				THE PARTY OF THE P			
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9 software that is designed to increase their ELA proficiency from 57% on English I EOC to 62% in Year 1.	343	\$700	\$20,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$95,000
10						***************************************	
12							
13							
66XX—Equipment, furniture, or vehicles							
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20							THE FORWARD PROPERTY.
6XX—Capital expenditures for additions, improvements, or ordinary repairs and maintenance)		ications to c	apital assets	s that materially	increase their	modifications to capital assets that materially increase their value or useful life (not	life (not
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	O	Grand total:	\$20,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$95,000

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# Schedule #12—Demographics and Participants to Be Served with Grant Funds

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Part 1: Student Demographics- Data. Enter the data requested for the population to be served by this grant program. If data is not available, enter DNA. Use required data source where indicated. Where not indicated, please cite data source used. Response is limited to space provided, front side only. Use Arial font, no smaller than 10 point.

Category	Number	Percent	Data Source
Total student enrollment	2,102		2014-2015 Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR), Campus Performance
African American student enrollment	1	0.0%	2014-2015 Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR), Campus Performance
Hispanic student enrollment	2,085	99.2%	2014-2015 Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR), Campus Performance
White student enrollment	13	0.6%	2014-2015 Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR), Campus Performance
Asian student enrollment	3	0.1%	2014-2015 Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR), Campus Performance
Economically disadvantaged student enrollment	1,459	69.4%	2014-2015 Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR), Campus Performance
Limited English proficient (LEP) student enrollment	465	22.1%	2014-2015 Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR), Campus Performance
Special Education student enrollment	198	9.4%	2014-2015 Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR), Campus Performance
Disciplinary referrals	1,143		2015-2016 PEIMS report #425; code #C164
Disciplinary placements in In-School Suspension	620		2015-2016 PEIMS report #425; code #C164
Disciplinary placements in Out-of-School Suspension	406		2015-2016 PEIMS report #425; code #C164
Disciplinary placements in DAEP	12		2015-2016 PEIMS report #425; code #C164
Disciplinary referrals for Truancy	0		2015-2016 PEIMS report #425; code #C164
Attendance rate		93.0%	2014-2015 Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR), Campus Performance
Annual dropout rate (Gr 9-12)		2.5%	2014-2015 Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR), Campus Performance
Annual graduation rate (Gr 9-12)		84.3%	2014-2015 Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR), Campus Performance
STAAR / EOC met 2016 standard, mathematics (standard accountability indicator)	382	72.9%	TEA 2016 Accountability Summary Report.
STAAR / EOC met 2016 standard, reading / ELA (standard accountability indicator)	850	49.2%	TEA 2016 Accountability Summary Report.
ACT and/or SAT- Class of 2015, percent students Tested		79.6%	2014-2015 Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR), Campus Performance
ACT and/or SAT- Class of 2015, percent At/Above Criteria		4.2%	2014-2015 Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR), Campus Performance
Average ACT score (number value, not a percentage)	17.1	100	2014-2015 Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR), Campus Performance
Average SAT score (number value, not a percentage)	1484		2014-2015 Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR), Campus Performance
Graduates from Class of 2014 enrolled in a Texas Institution of Higher Education (IHE)	II.	57.9%	2013-2014 Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR), Campus Performance

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# Part 2: Student Demographics- Comments

Please use this section to add a description of any data about students that was not specifically requested, but is important to understanding the population to be served by this grant program.

Additionally, use this space to describe trends in data, related to students seen over time in areas that are important to understanding your program plan. Applicants must include supporting evidence to explain trends. For example, projected enrollment growth would need to be supported with a report of percent gains in enrollment over the past several years. Response is limited to space provided, front side only. Use Arial font, no smaller than 10 point.

Weslaco East High School has been identified as a Focus campus. The root cause of the rating has been a revolving issue beginning with student academics, coupled with the local demographics and external data (unemployment/poverty) as can be seen as follows:

STAAR Test Results: A review of the TAPR results ranging from the 2012-2015 school years indicate that Weslaco East High School has a history of consistently falling beneath the state's average on the number of students who meet the standard in each of the tested areas. In fact, the campus had only 69% of its students' pass all sections of the STAAR test for the 2014-2015 school year. This is 8% below the state's average of 77%. The table below illustrates that a trend exists in the campus's inability to meet state standards:

Year	Mathen	natics	Read	ling	All Sub	ojects
	Campus	State	Campus	State	Campus	State
2014-2015	78%	81%	57%	77%	69%	77%
2013-2014	72%	78%	51%	76%	64%	77%
2012-2013	47%	59%	55%	62%	66%	77%

<u>Student Demographics</u>: The gaps between the campus and state standards can be attributed to the campus high percent of at-risk and economically disadvantaged students that are comprised primarily from minority groups. The table below details the campus demographics in comparison to the state's demographics:

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Year	Disadva Campus	State	Campus	State	Campus	State	Campus	State
2014-2015	69.4%	58.8%	66.3%	51.2%	99.5%	52.0%	5.0%	1.5%
2013-2014	87.7%	60.2%	65%	49.9%	99.0%	51.8%	3.9%	1.6%
2012-2013	89.5%	60.4%	58.7%	44.7%	98.7%	51,3%	6.4%	1.7%

<u>Drop-Out/Graduation/Unemployment/Poverty Data:</u> In addition to the data listed above, the data provided in the table below also details how performance at school directly impacts the students' future outcomes. Since students who do not start off on a good foundation tend to struggle throughout the rest of their educations, these students tend to drop out prior to graduation, have attendance issues, and/or choose not to attend college. This leads to the high percentage of individuals in the area that are designated as living in poverty and/or unemployed.

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	Campus	State	Campus	State	City	State	City	State
2014-2015	2.5%	2.2%	57.9%	70.8%	6.0%	4.9%	23.1%	13.7%
2013-2014	3.2%	2.2%	56.5%	69.0%	6.4%	5.2%	31.8%	17.6%
2012-2013	2.1%	2.4%	*	66.1%	6.4%	5.0%	31.8%	17.4%

Source: 2012-2013, 2013-2014 and 2014-2015 TAPR and American Fact Finder *Results are masked due to small numbers to protect student confidentiality

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# Part 3: Staff Demographics- Data

Enter the data requested for the population to be served by this grant program. If data is not available, enter DNA. Use required data source where indicated. Where not indicated, please cite data source used.

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Category	Number	Percent	Data Source
Total Staff	180		2014-2015 Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR), Campus Performance
Teachers	140	77.5%	2014-2015 Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR), Campus Performance
Professional Support staff	21	11.5%	2014-2015 Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR), Campus Performance
Campus Administration (School Leadership)	1	0.6%	2014-2015 Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR), Campus Performance
Educational Aides	19	10.5%	2014-2015 Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR), Campus Performance
African American Teachers	2	1.4%	2014-2015 Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR), Campus Performance
Hispanic Teachers	120	85.9%	2014-2015 Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR), Campus Performance
White Teachers	16	11.2%	2014-2015 Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR), Campus Performance
Asian Teachers	2	1.5%	2014-2015 Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR), Campus Performance
Beginning Teachers	11	7.6%	2014-2015 Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR), Campus Performance
Teachers with 1-5 Years Experience	19	13.3%	2014-2015 Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR), Campus Performance
Teachers with 6-10 Years Experience	23	16.3%	2014-2015 Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR), Campus Performance
Teachers with 11-20 Years Experience	47	33.8%	2014-2015 Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR), Campus Performance
Teachers with over 20 Years Experience	40	29.0%	2014-2015 Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR), Campus Performance
Average salary- Beginning Teachers	\$50,408		2014-2015 Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR), Campus Performance
Average salary- Teachers with 1-5 Years	\$48,602		2014-2015 Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR), Campus Performance
Average salary- Teachers with 6-10 Years	\$51,390		2014-2015 Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR), Campus Performance
Average salary- Teachers with 11-20 Years	\$55,800		2014-2015 Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR), Campus Performance
Average salary- Teachers with over 20 Years Experience	\$66,106		2014-2015 Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR), Campus Performance
Staff with less than a bachelor's degree	4	3.2%	2014-2015 Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR), Campus Performance
Staff with Bachelor's degree as highest level attained	102	73.6%	2014-2015 Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR), Campus Performance
Staff with Master's degree as highest level attained	32	23.3%	2014-2015 Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR), Campus Performance
Staff with Doctoral degree as highest level attained	0	0.0%	2014-2015 Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR), Campus Performance
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## Part 4: Staff Demographics-Comments

Please use this section to add a description of any data about campus staff that was not specifically requested, but is important to understanding the population to be served by this grant program. Additionally, use this space to describe trends in data related to campus staff seen over time in areas that are important to understanding your program plan. Response is limited to space provided, front side only. Use Arial font, no smaller than 10 point.

The campus's proposed TTIPS Program will be utilized to better serve its students by providing Highly Qualified Teachers, Teacher Aides, and Administrators. Weslaco East High School has an average class size of 23 in Math and English/Language Arts compared to the state's average of 18. In addition, there are only 19 educational aides employed at the campus, giving the campus a teacher to educational aide ratio of 7:1, this is higher than the state's ratio of 5:1.

When this data is coupled with the level of teaching experience at the campus, it is easy to see why students are consistently scoring below the state's standards. The table below shows the trends in teaching staff in conjunction with their experience, educational attainment, and pay.

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	Campus	State	Campus	State	Campus	State	
2014-2015	10.5%	8.5%	76.8%	76%	88.8%	38.6%	
2013-2014	6.0%	8.3%	81.8%	76.3%	86.6%	45.7%	
2012-2013	4.8%	7.0%	82.6%	76.3%	83.3%	45.1%	

As can be seen in the table above, approximately 10.5% of the teachers at Weslaco East High School have less than 1 year of teaching experience. In addition, the teachers' education levels at the campus are lower than the state's with 76.8% of the teacher having a Bachelor's Degree of lower. This directly impacts the students' performance since they are constantly being taught by novice teachers that lack the confidence, training, experience, and education to motivate the students and manage the classroom.

To support our goal of becoming a school-wide ECHS, there is a need for established procedures or programs are in place to provide teachers with a structured training plan and opportunities for advancement. Moreover, there is a need for experienced Lead Teachers, collaboration, and strategic career plans.

While the district understands the importance in providing teachers with collaborative opportunities and support, the district is faced with the difficult task of organizing and generating buy-in from teachers for this to succeed. Therefore, in order to foster an open, supportive and collaborative campus culture and encourage teachers to seek and obtain growth within their field, the district will utilize the funds to:

- Hire a District Coordinator of School Improvement (DCSI) that will be directly responsible for organizing and overseeing the creation of the teacher support systems, to include Professional Learning Communities (PLC) and a Lead Teacher Program;
- Provide extra-duty pay to teachers in order to motivate them to not just attend, but to actively take part of and support the new teacher support system;
- Allow teachers the opportunity to continue their education and earn a Master's in Education Degree in their specialized field. Based on completion and degree acquired, teachers will receive partial tuition reimbursement.
   The district will utilize other funding sources to cover the remaining tuition;
- Hold one-on-one meetings with teachers in order to devise strategic career plans; and
- Identify and reward campus administrators, teachers, and other staff who, in implementing this model, have increased student achievement.

Through these milestones and measures, the district is confident that it cannot only successfully increase the teachers' capabilities and retention, and can also create an added sense of community within the campus. This will help ensure that teachers share in the successes and failures of the school; ultimately, exiting Focus status and sustaining the ECHS Program.

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Part 5: Students to Be Served with Grant Funds. Enter the number of students in each grade to be served under the grant program. Response is limited to space provided, front side only. Use Arial font, no smaller than 10 point.														
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#### Part 6: Teachers to Be Served with Grant Funds.

Enter the number of teachers in each grade to be served under the grant program.

In indicating numbers for Teachers, duplicate counts are permitted. For example, if a teacher instructs sections of 3rd, 4th and 5th grades, that teacher should be counted for each of those grade levels. It is understood that this might elevate the total count of teachers on this table. The actual, unduplicated number of teachers is captured in the Staff Demographics-Data table.

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# Schedule #13-Needs Assessment

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Continuous improvement is a systematic approach in school reform, including processes for data analysis, problem identification, root cause analysis, goal setting, intervention design, implementation, monitoring, and evidenced-based progress reporting.

Part 1: Process Description. Describe the process and activities in which you engaged to conduct a data analysis and needs assessment; and select the model, goals, and interventions to be implemented under this grant. In the description, include the team members involved in the planning process, frequency and timeline of planning meetings, and key activities/strategies used to facilitate decision making.

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Process and Activities of Data Analysis: In preparation for the submission of the Texas Title I Priority Schools (TTIPS), Cycle 5 grant, the district analyzed the needs of Weslaco East High School that lead it to Focus status. Elements of the needs assessment included the review of the instructional programs, technology and strategies that are currently being utilized at the campus, the experience/capabilities of the school leadership team, and the college-credit bearing courses and preparatory/college readiness courses currently available. The goal for the district was not just to identify the areas of need, but to also identify the root cause for the problems. The following is a description of the process and activities that the district utilized to conduct the campus needs assessment and to analyze the data.

Needs Assessment: In conducting the needs assessment, the campus staff collected and reviewed the following data:

- Daily assignment scores
- · Attendance records
- Teacher and staff participation
- Quality of available resources
- Parental involvement documentation (sign-in sheets)
- Student and teachers accessibility to resources
- State test scores
- PEIMS 425 records
- Teacher and staff experience and evaluations
- Quality/dependability of partners and vendors
- College courses available in the current class schedule
  - District and Campus Organizational Charts

The Campus Intervention Team reviewed each of these areas and compared the campus and state data in order to identify which areas required improvement in order for the campus to exit Focus status.

Model Selection: The district and campus administration met with key stakeholders to review the results of the needs assessment and determine how to best prioritize the campus' needs. Stakeholders included: Superintendent, Campus Principal, Chief Financial Officer, Director for Professional Learning, Assistant Superintendent for Secondary Curriculum and Instruction, Instructional Technology Director, Weslaco East High School Librarian, and Department Head Teachers. In all, a total of three (3) planning meetings were held in the course of a 4 week period. During these meetings, gaps, barriers, and weaknesses were identified and key qualitative dimensions (i.e. priority, severity, urgency, complexity, or mandatory requirements) that support prioritization were applied. Since a significant gap was identified in the number of at-risk and historically underrepresented students which directly impacts the campus' graduation rate, the district chose to implement the TTIPS Texas State-Design Model, which includes developing an Early College High School (ECHS). Research conducted through a random-assignment study concluded that students who attend an Early College High School are significantly more likely than their peers to graduate, enroll in college, and earn a degree (Source: American Institutes for Research, Sept. 2013). Moreover, findings from this study indicate that an ECHS has significant impact on underrepresented students and was particularly effective at helping lower-income students earn college degrees.

Goals and Interventions: The following primary goals and interventions were selected:

- Designing an ECHS Model that will allow students to graduate with a high school diploma and an Associate Degree;
   or high school diploma and 60 college credit hours toward a Baccalaureate Degree at no cost to the student;
- Developing and increasing teacher and school leader effectiveness through use of the Texas Teacher Evaluation and Support System and Texas Principal Evaluation and Support System;
- Identifying students requiring more intensive support including those at-risk of dropping out and historically underrepresented in college courses;
- Developing key partnerships that will enable the high school to succeed as an Early College High School;
- Developing and maintaining a leadership team that will focus on P-16 Leadership Initiatives;
- Developing a curriculum that will offer a rigorous and accelerated course of study, in both college-credit bearing courses and preparatory/college readiness courses; and
- Providing a school-wide ECHS program by the start of the second year of the TTIPS Program.

Decision-Making Activities/Strategies: To facilitate the decision-making process and ensure that a wide range of ideas were considered the district reviewed all the campus's identified gaps and needs. Stakeholders were encouraged to submit their ideas through an online survey or during planning meetings for implementing the school reform and exiting Focus status. All suggestions were compiled and reviewed as a whole during the planning meetings. The attending stakeholders chose the solutions that provided the highest chance for generating campus reform while still conforming to the parameters of the TTIPS grant and ensuring long-term sustainability.

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community members, school board, etc.
TEA Priority: Campuses that select the Texas State-Designed Model. (20 points)

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# Schedule #13—Needs Assessment (cont.)

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Part 4: Model Selection-Stakeholder Input. Please describe how student families and community members were engaged in the needs assessment and planning process:

- Describe specific actions the campus/district took to solicit input from these stakeholders in selecting the model.
- Describe how this input was taken into consideration when selecting the model.
- Describe plans to meaningfully engage families and the community in the implementation of the selected model on an ongoing basis.

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GRANT SPECIFIC CRITERIA (GSC): Family and the community members were meaningfully engaged in assessing the program needs and selecting the school improvement model. (10 points) As the Campus Intervention Team/P-16 Leadership Initiatives Team began reviewing the TTIPS Program guidelines and trying to determine which intervention model would be followed, it was determined that input from its close-knit community and students' families would be best to ensure their support and participation, as well as, offer program transparency. The district and campus staff discussed the methods that would be most effective in engaging these stakeholders and gathering input. The outreach methods provided by the campus included: email, parental involvement events; campus website, direct mailings, and social media.

Thus, input was solicited by conducting online campus surveys, emailing staff and campus personnel, reviewing input from parental involvement committees and events; suggestions gathered from professional associations, and social media. A survey was released via the Survey Console website. This survey provided the district and campus team with the opportunity to educate community members of the different intervention models that were available, as well as, receive constructive criticism from the community regarding improvements to be considered by the campus. A breakdown of each intervention was provided that included a list of possible benefits and downsides. In addition, families and the community members were given the opportunity to suggest programs to promote parental involvement, share their thoughts regarding extended learning time for students, have the opportunity to volunteer as part of the Campus Intervention Team/P-16 Leadership Initiatives Team, and provide suggestions for teachers' professional development trainings. In addition to the survey, the district held a public meeting to further discuss the grant and its requirements.

How Input Was Taken into Consideration when Selecting the Model: As part of the discussion, the district and campus administration informed the families and community members of the following key requirements that would need to be met as part of the Texas State-Design Model:

- The need to create an innovative school-wide early college high school that enables students to graduate with a
  high school diploma and an Associate Degree; or high school diploma and 60 college credit hours toward a
  Baccalaureate Degree.
- The need to provide college credit earned through the high school years for all students at no cost; including tuition, fees and textbook costs.
- The need to develop and increase teacher and school leader effectiveness through use of the Texas Teacher Evaluation and Support System and Texas Principal Evaluation and Support System.
- The need to have family and community members be a part of the Campus Intervention Team.
- The need for families and community members to take a more active role in campus activities.

The survey and meetings were opened for discussion in order to allow the families and community members to ask questions and provide suggestions. The district and campus administrators utilized the survey results and the public meeting to determine that the **Texas State-Design Model** would be the best model to assist the campus in exiting Focus status. This model would also allow the district to sustain the reform long-term.

GRANT SPECIFIC CRITERIA (GSC): Family and community members will be meaningfully engaged in an ongoing basis through the implementation of the program. (10 points) The district/campus understand that in order for the TTIPS Program and the selected model to be successful, family and community members must remain actively engaged throughout the implementation of the program. Therefore, the administrative staff has designed the following strategies that will allow shared responsibility with the community regarding the grant's goals and the academic success of the students: Parents and community members will be provided with quarterly updates that details students' academic and behavioral growth. This notice will be sent to parents and community members via email and through a flyer. The flyer will include the date of the next meeting to be held. During the meeting, time will be allotted for families and community members to voice concerns and provide feedback including goal setting for families; and, The campus calendar will be enhanced in order to include added opportunities to engage family and community members. This may include: parent/teacher conferences, parent/community academic nights, counseling, etc.

In addition, the TTIPS and campus staff will ensure that family and community members are a part of the Campus Intervention Team/P-16 Leadership Initiatives Team throughout the program. In the event that an individual can no longer take part in these meeting or fails to attend, the TTIPS District Coordinator of School Improvement (DCSI) will look for replacements.

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# Schedule #14—Management Plan

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Part 1: Staff Role and Qualifications. List campus and district personnel projected to be involved in the implementation and delivery of the program. Include all positions funded in whole or part by grant resources, along with those personnel involved in the implementation, but not funded through the grant. Provide a brief description of the position role/function in the grant; and desired qualifications, type and years of experience, and requested certifications. Ensure that the list and descriptions demonstrate the district will provide effective oversight and support for implementation of the selected model.

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#	Title	Role/Function in Grant	Desired Qualifications, Experience,
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1.	District Coordinator of School Improvement (DCSI) (required)	The DCSI will work with campus personnel, TCDSS Professional Services Provider (PSP), and the Texas Education Agency (TEA) to support the campus through the improvement process and identified interventions. This improvement process includes addressing each of the Critical Success Factors and implementing required grant activities selected to fulfill each of the federal requirements.	Master's Degree and have a minimum of three (3) years of experience in a related field. He/She must have experience in implementing school improvement strategies. Prior experience in an Early
2.	Superintendent	The Superintendent will obligate the campus to the grant activities according to state regulations. The Superintendent will ensure that previously allocated state/local funds are not diverted from the campus because of its acquisition of TTIPS, Cycle 5 funding.	of a Master's Degree with a Superintendent's Certificate. The Superintendent must have 3 years of experience in education with preference in school administration.
3.	Campus Principal	Will monitor the implementation of the program and ensure that all stakeholders are kept abreast of program growth and outcomes. Will ensure that all staff, teachers, parents, community members, and students participate in all surveys and questionnaires conducted by TEA and the External Evaluator. Also, will support and provide oversight to the program by attending scheduled TTIPS meetings and reviewing collected data results.	minimum of a Master's Degree and have at least three (3) years of prior experience in education with preference in school administration.
4.	Campus Intervention Team/P-16 Leadership Initiatives Team	Will be developed to focus on P-16 initiatives and will meet regularly to discuss the progress of the TTIPS Program, review all data results, and address any significant issues. The team will propose solutions to issues and address any changes that may need to be made to the approved TTIPS grant.	must include the campus principal and individuals with decision-making authority from both the district and South Texas College (STC).
5.	Instructional Coaches	Will provide on-site professional development to teachers on how to use evidence-based teaching practices and support them in learning and applying these practices.	to hold a minimum of a Master's Degree and have at least three (3) years of prior experience in secondary education.
6.	Lead Teachers	Will provide new and struggling teachers with oversight and training. Will serve as the facilitators during all planning learning times. Will conduct classroom walkthroughs on all assigned teachers in order to provide the teachers with feedback and suggestions.	a minimum of a Bachelor's Degree, with a Master's Degree preferred, and have at least three (3) years of prior experience in secondary education.
7.	College Readiness Specialist	Will be hired to provide academic, social, and emotional guidance and counseling services for all ECHS students. The Specialist will help students with transitional services from the high school to college.	required to hold a minimum of a Bachelor's Degree, with a Master's Degree preferred, have at least three (3) of prior experience in secondary or college education.
8.	Teachers	Will be employed with the required qualifications to teach college-level courses at the ECHS. The teachers will provide high-level instruction and will help reduce the student-to-teacher ratio.	

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Part 2: External Provider Role and Qualifications. List all external provider contractors/consultants, selected by the district/campus, that are projected to be involved in the implementation and delivery of the program. Provide a brief description of the provider's unique function in the grant; and desired qualifications, experience, and requested certifications. Do **not** include contractors/consultants provided by the TTIPS SEA office (PSP, TCDSS or TEA staff).

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#	Title	Role/Function in Grant	Desired Qualifications, Experience, Certifications				
1,	Region 01 Education Service Center (ESC)	The ESC will provide planning assistance, data analysis support for the low-performing campus, and assist in developing the leadership capacity of school administrators and teams to implement and sustain comprehensive school improvement.	The ESC staff member (s) providing professional development must have a minimum of a Bachelor's Degree in education or related field and have at least three (3) years of experience in school improvement.				
2.	Texas ECHS Demonstration Site	The campus will contract with an existing Early College High School as a demonstration site. The eligible site will be identified by TEA each year starting in 2016-2017.	The site must be appointed as a demonstration site or have retained designation for the last four consecutive years and assessed as exemplary using the Texas ECHS Blueprint or other ECHS selected as a match partner site by the TEA.				
3.	External Evaluator	The External Evaluator will use a rigorous, transparent, and equitable evaluation system that employs both formative and summative data. Will conduct surveys, administer questionnaires, and conduct walkthroughs in order to collect data. Will submit a detailed evaluation report that will include all findings of the evaluation.	The External Evaluator must have a minimum of three (3) years of experience in program evaluations. The Evaluator will have previous experience in collecting data and organizing it into a comprehensive report that details strengths, weaknesses, and suggestions for improvements.				
4.	South Texas College (STC) and Liaison	Will partner with the Weslaco East High School to establish a school-wide ECHS by the Fall 2017, serving grades 9-12, and providing college-credit bearing courses, as well as, preparatory/college readiness courses.  The Liaison will have decision-making authority and will interact directly and frequently with the campus staff and administrators.	STC's High School Program was established in 1997 to provide dual enrollment opportunities to students. STC has a current partnership with over 21 school districts and 68 high school sites.  The Liaison must hold a minimum of a Master's Degree and have at least three (3) years of experience with an ECHS and/or college readiness.				
5.	Professional Development Team	Will provide a spectrum of trainings identified by the evaluation team from their formative and summative findings to help address student's academic, social and emotional needs for both students and parents.	The Professional Development Team will have at least 3 years of experience in providing customized professional development trainings similar in size and scope of the TTIPS Program. The trainers will hold a minimum of a bachelor's degree in their expert field.				
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Part 3: Commitment and Succession. Describe how the campus and district will ensure that all project participants remain committed to the project's success. Describe your succession management strategies and how this will enable the campus and district to deliver continuous high-quality programming when there are changes in key project personnel. Response is limited to space provided, front side only. Use Arial font, no smaller than 10 point.

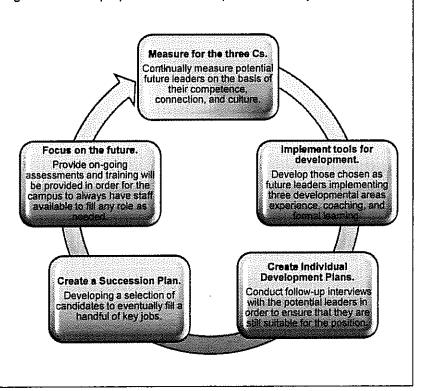
The campus will implement the following succession management strategies in order to deliver continuous high-quality programming when there are changes in key project personnel:

Project Participants will Remain Committed to the Project's Success: The district administrators feel confident that all project participants will remain committed to the TTIPS' success; thus will provide adequate resources and related services to the campus staff to implement, fully and effectively, the required activities of the Texas State-Design Model. The district has demonstrated a great need for the funds, as well as, a strong commitment from the school board, Superintendent, Campus Principal, Counselor, Teachers, Paraprofessionals, Campus Intervention Team/P-16 Leadership Initiatives Team, Campus Administration, Parents, and Community Members to ensure that the funds are used to provide adequate resources to enable the campus to raise substantially the achievement of their students. During the implementation phase, staff will utilize the support of the campus, principal, teachers, Superintendent, and School Board to fully integrate the proposed project and ensure that all project participants remain committed as follows:

- Campus Support: The campus will provide campus support by appointing a District Coordinator of School
  Improvement (DCSI) to manage all activities, participate in staff development on topics determined from the
  campus needs assessment, enlist campus support for the initiative, and participate in all required. The campus
  staff and administrators will participate in all of the TTIPS professional development held at the campus.
- Principal and Teacher Support: As a part of the Texas State-Design Model, TCDSS will provide teachers and
  administrators with quality materials, research, and coaching to effectively implement actions to address key
  practices. The campus will provide all school personnel with an opportunity to actively develop improvement
  plans, review current school data, and determine next steps. The campus will visit high-performing ECHS sites
  with similar demographics to determine strategies likely to impact student achievement. TCDSS School
  Improvement Consultants will provide continuous on-site, electronic, and telephone support.
- Superintendent and School Board Support: The district administrators will work with the South Texas College (STC) in the implementation of the TTIPS Program to better prepare students for post-secondary education.

Succession Management Strategies to Deliver Continuous High-Quality Programming: To ensure that the district and campus personnel are able to deliver continuous high-quality programming when there are changes in key project staff, the TTIPS Texas State-Design Model will incorporate succession management strategies. The strategies will be aligned to ensure that they are proactive and that they target every level of the organization. The diagram to the right details the research-based plan that will be utilized.

Through these succession management strategies, TTIPS staff will be trained in the role and function that they are assigned to and will be able to stand-in or support other key roles. This will especially be of use in the event that key personnel leave the district. Suitable replacements will be able to be garnered within the existing staff or if replacement personnel are brought in, such as a new Principal or Superintendent, exiting staff will be able to provide the new individuals with support during the transitioning process.



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Part 4: Sustainability. What elements of your proposed project are designed to significantly increase capacity or create a lasting change to campus culture and practices that shall be sustained after the grant period ends? How will the LEA provide support to sustain the reform after the grant period ends?

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GRANT SPECIFIC CRITERIA (GSC): Capacity gained through the proposed project will create lasting change to campus culture and practices that can be sustained after the grant period ends. (10 points) In order to increase capacity or create a lasting change to campus culture and practices that will be sustained after the grant period ends, the district and campus propose to provide initiatives and activities that once developed and implemented, would have the ability to be sustained after the TTIPS funding is exhausted. The district is fully aware that without these TTIPS funds, the proposed model would not be implemented to full capacity. However, the goal of the program is not to provide an easy or quick fix, but to restructure, enhance, and create new campus programs and procedures that would have a long-term effect on the campus and its students.

The district/campus will provide support to sustain the reform after the grant period ends. In order to build and increase capacity, the campus administrators understand that they need to target teachers and devise a manner to elicit a higher level of skill, confidence, and passion from them. Therefore, opportunities for promotion and career growth, coupled with financial incentives will be continued. The district is more than willing to provide teachers with the necessary professional development training, materials, and support to ensure teachers commitment. Practices that will be continued include:

- Expanding and sustaining the campus's partnership with South Texas College (STC) and other local Institutions of Higher Education (IHEs);
- Creating an innovative high school that enables students to graduate with a high school diploma and an Associate Degree; or high school diploma and 60 college credit hours toward a Baccalaureate Degree
- Developing and increasing teacher and school leader effectiveness through use of the Texas Teacher Evaluation and Support System and Texas Principal Evaluation and Support System;
- Providing training on the use of data to identify the population at-risk of dropping out of school;
- Gathering quantitative and qualitative data to identify students least likely to attend college/those historically underrepresented in college courses; and
- Providing academic, social, and emotional supports to the students in the form of: extended learning time sessions for tutoring, advisory and/or college readiness; college-readiness mentorship program; connections to social services; and parent outreach and involvement opportunities.

The district and campus administrators strongly believe that through these measures, teachers will have a positive impact on students' performance.

Capacity gained through the proposed project will create lasting change to campus culture and practices that can be sustained after the grant period ends. Once teachers and staff are committed to the campus and the academic success of the students, the initiatives that have been created through the TTIPS Program will have the ability to continue to be successfully sustained even after grant funding ends.

As an example, by utilizing grant funds to train teachers to serve as Lead Teachers, these individuals will become proficient with providing training and support to teachers assigned to them. This will create a rippling effect where new teachers that join the district are continued to be trained by their peers and in time, they themselves can serve as Lead Teachers. This same concept is consistent to all of the planned initiatives and activities that are projected for this program.

To support the added costs that will be associated with the initiatives (i.e. increased wages, extra-duty pay for planned activities, etc.) that will be associated with the initial program investment, the district will create a contingency plan and will actively search for supplemental funding sources or dedicate local funds that help support and sustain this program over an extended period of time. For example, Title II, Part A funding will be utilized to continue to provide professional development training to Lead Teachers, who will utilize the Trainer-of-Trainer model to impart knowledge to other teachers. This will help to ensure the district is able to support the cost for providing on-going training. Instructional Materials Allotment (IMA) funds will be utilized to purchase teaching materials that are research-proven to increase student participation and scores.

In addition, a sustainability plan will be enforced that will include the creation of a Handbook of Operating Procedures (HOOP). The HOOP will include an active and careful examination of the following approaches to seek effective avenues to ensure that the program continues beyond the grant period. Activities will include to make better use of existing resources; maximize federal, state, and local revenue; create more flexibility in existing streams; continue building public-private partnerships; and, generate newly dedicated revenue.

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# Schedule #15—Project Evaluation

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Part 1: Establishing Performance Measures. Describe the processes used to establish challenging yet attainable performance measures that will result in substantially improved student achievement and the campus' ability to exit lowest-performing status. Response is limited to space provided, front side only. Use Arial font, no smaller than 10 point.

Process Used To Establish Challenging Yet Attainable Performance Measures: The Campus Intervention Team for Weslaco East High School understands that it is important to set attainable performance measures that encourage performance improvement, effectiveness, efficiency, and appropriate levels of internal controls. The processes utilized allowed for the team to develop structures and activities that support continued growth. Performance measures were created that would align with the TTIPS' Vision, Focus for School Reform, and the substantial improvement of students' achievement. The following steps were completed in the order listed: 1.) Orientation and Readiness: Build a common understanding for the improvement process; 2.) Collect, Sort and Select Data for Review: Gather information from multiple indicators (achievement, demographic, etc.) and decide what data is most pertinent to the process; 3.) Clarify the Root Causes and Prioritize Needs: Make data-driven decisions about areas of focus to achieve a desired outcome; 4.) Study and Select Research-Based Best Practices: Conduct research to find strategies and rationale for its use to improve learning; 5.) Set Goals and Create Action Plans for Each Goal: Identify most critical goals for student achievement based on identified challenges (specific, measurable, achievable, relevant and timely); 6.) Implement the Plan: A planned procedure to launch a specific action which will focus on achieving a prompt measured success to build momentum for future actions; 7.) Monitor: Track progress of planned activities and tasks to see if desired outcomes are being accomplished within given timelines; and 8.) Review the Impact on Student Achievement and Revise Needs: A routine system to determine the effectiveness of the improvement plan with opportunities to celebrate successes and to address areas of continued concern.

Ability to Exit Lowest-Performing Status: The campus will implement activities that address the 7 Critical Success Factors (CSFs) to ensure academic improvement. The factors include: CSF 1: Improve Academic Performance, CSF 2: Increase the Use of Quality Data to Drive Instruction, CSF 3: Increase Leadership Effectiveness, CSF 4: Increase Learning Time, CSF 5: Increase Family and Community Engagement, CSF 6: Improve School Climate, and CSF 7: Increase Teacher Quality. The CSFs are grounded in evidence-based research and have been found to be key elements for implementing improvement efforts in order to exit Focus rating.

Part 2: Data Collection. Describe the processes for collecting data at a detailed level to inform effectiveness of each intervention. Data at a detailed level would include examples such as: participation rates at the activity-level, dosage rates of an intervention per student, teacher practice observed rates at the targeted strategy-level, or academic outcome data at the activity-level per student. Response is limited to space provided, front side only. Use Arial font, no smaller than 10 point.

Processes for Collecting Data at a Detailed-Level: The district and campus are aware of the academic deficiencies of its students; therefore, the data collection will be focused primarily on student assessments including: STAAR, ACT/SAT, End-of-Course, as well as, local campus and district benchmarks. In order to ensure that the data collected is detailed enough to inform the effectiveness of each intervention, the campus will ensure that all of its students are assessed annually utilizing one of the appropriate assessment previously mentioned.

- In addition to the aforementioned data collection, the campus will collect data at a detailed-level including:
  - Participation Rates at the Activity-Level: The DCSI will ensure that internal records are kept with
    documentation including activity logs, sign-in sheets for all activities, purchase orders of technology and software
    purchased, and professional development trainings offered.
  - Dosage Rates of an Intervention per Student: Interventions provided to students will be tracked by the frequency and length of each session (i.e. 30-minute sessions on a daily basis) and tracked to determine the 'dosage' rates.
  - Teacher Practice Observed Rates at the Targeted Strategy-Level: The DCSI, Lead Teachers, and Instructional Coaches will monitor teacher performance/practice utilizing classroom observations and walkthroughs. In addition, teachers will be gauged based on student performance.
  - Academic Outcome Data at the Activity-Level per Student: As previously mentioned, academic data will be
    collected utilizing state and local assessment. In addition, PEIMS 425 Reports will be generated to determine the
    number of disciplinary actions reported and the effect of these actions on student academics.

Inform Effectiveness of Each Intervention: In order to ensure that the data collected is reliable and detailed, the Campus Intervention Team/P-16 Leadership Initiatives Team will: 1.) Create and implement a data collection plan; 2.) Analyze the data on a quarterly basis; 3.) Communicate the results from the data to campus and district administrators, as well as, teachers, parents, and community members; and 4.) Modify and/or enhance interventions, as needed. The TTIPS Intervention Team will utilize these processes for collecting data to inform the effectiveness of the each intervention and measure the program outcomes. This will allow the district and the campus to pinpoint where changes and/or improvements need to be made to the interventions being provided.

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Part 3: Assessing effectiveness of interventions. Describe the processes and staff responsible for assessing the effectiveness of program activities and interventions on an ongoing basis. How are problems with project delivery to be identified and corrected throughout the project?

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Assessing the Activities on an On-Going Basis: In order to ensure the campus is effective in implementing the program activities and interventions in a timely manner and with fidelity, the Campus Intervention Team/P-16 Leadership Initiatives Team will actively monitor the various components of the plan. The Intervention Team, and District and Campus Administrators will evaluate the progress in meeting the improvement objectives, goals and strategies at minimum on a monthly basis to ensure any problems, issues, or concerns are addressed as soon as possible. The Superintendent, Executive Director for Secondary Curriculum and Instruction, Director for Professional Learning and Campus Intervention Team/P-16 Leadership Initiatives Team will review student performance data on a quarterly basis to determine that the campus is either making adequate progress or is maintaining performance at a high-level. At this time, any problems with the project delivery will be identified and corrected. The following is the process and staff responsible for assessing the effectiveness of program goals/activities and interventions on an on-going basis:

ellectivelless of program goals/activities and	Assessment of Program Activities
	Description
Process: Staff Responsible	5200710000000000000000000000000000000000
	Build a common understanding and ownership for the Texas State-Design
Administrators (Superintendent, Executive	
	Develop a clear picture of what it will take to progress through the
Instruction and Director for Professional	improvement process.
Learning)	
	Gather information from multiple indicators (achievement, demographic, etc.).
<del> </del>	Data is prepared to facilitate analysis.
Intervention Team	
	Make data decisions about what areas to focus on to achieve a desired and
Secondary Curriculum and Instruction,	
Director for Professional Learning, DCSI,	Identify root causes of the issue. This will result in an analysis of data based
and Intervention Team	on narratives, charts and graphs displaying the current status of the campus.
	A prioritized list of challenges will be generated and used in subsequent
	stages to develop goals/activities and revise improvement plans.
Prioritize and Set Goals: Executive	Determine priorities based on the campus's strengths and challenges
Director for Secondary Curriculum and	identified by data analysis. Clear, measurable and attainable goals will be
Instruction, Director for Professional	created and prioritized.
Learning, DCSI, and Intervention Team	
Research and Identify Effective	Identify effective research-based practices, strategies, programs, and/or
Strategies/ Practices: DCS/	interventions that address the goals and root causes. This will provide the
	basis of improvement through additional research and analysis of data,
	identification of best practices, and classroom walkthroughs.
Develop and Implement Plan(s): DCSI	Focus specific improvement plans on prioritized areas, describing the specific
and Intervention Team	activities, timelines, persons responsible and outcome measures for each
	strategy, intervention, and/or program created.
Monitor Implementation and Progress:	Monitor implementation of the action plan, identified strategies/practices, and
	student progress to ensure continuous progress toward achieving the goals
Secondary Curriculum and Instruction and	
Director for Professional Learning	measures will be used to see if progress is occurring toward each
	goal/activity. Based on this information, plans will be revised as necessary.
Review and Revise: DCSI and	Analyze formative and summative measures specified in the improvement
Intervention Team	plans to determine if student needs have been met.
	dentified and Corrected: Any major changes that are identified for the

Problems with Project Delivery to be Identified and Corrected: Any major changes that are identified for the implementation plan and need to be corrected will be presented to the Board of Trustees at the next scheduled school board meeting during which DCSI and/or Campus Intervention Team/P-16 Leadership Initiatives Team will have the opportunity to discuss and select how any issues will be addressed. Once approved by the Superintendent and Board of Trustees, the DCSI will be responsible for ensuring that any changes to the program delivery are implemented immediately. If a change in the program or a new vendor is required, an amendment will be submitted to TEA for final approval. Parents, teachers, staff, students, and community members will be notified of changes via email or printed notifications.

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#### Schedule #16—Responses to Statutory Requirements

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Statutory Requirement 1: Describe your rigorous review process used to select highest-quality and best-fit external providers for your project. Include processes to:

- Identify a reasonably sized pool of prospective external providers
- · Assess level of experience in delivering the work
- Determine a history of prior success; consistent strong results in similar projects
- · Conduct a risk-assessment related to contracting
- Execute final selection and procurement

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GRANT SPECIFIC CRITERIA (GSC): Methods described for recruiting, screening, and selecting external providers ensures highest possible quality in providers. (10 points)

Rigorous review process used to select highest-quality and best-fit external providers: The district and campus administrators utilized and will continue to utilize a rigorous process to select high-quality external providers to conduct services and deliver products that would be instrumental to the school reform and supplemental to existing resources (non-duplicative). In order to ensure the proper external providers were selected, the campus first reviewed needs of the campus, the goals of the program, as well as, the planned interventions and initiatives. In addition, the administrators solicited the assistance of the district's Executive Director for Secondary Curriculum and Instruction, as well as, Director for Professional Learning to ensure that all external providers being considered offered services that were aligned with the campus's instructional model.

Identify a reasonably sized pool of prospective external providers: The district and campus administrators met to identify and categorize the reasonably sized pool of external providers that would be required to implement a success TTIPS Program. During the meeting, the administrators reviewed the list of providers/vendors and included any relevant research that had been collected. The pool of external providers included: Professional Development Trainers, Technology Vendors, External Evaluator, Curriculum Vendors, and more. Based on previous experiences and recommendations, the administrators were able to recommend external providers who had shown high levels of experience in delivering services, had a history of prior success, and were consistent with strong results in similar projects. These individuals would be scheduled to provide a product demonstration for selected teachers, staff, and the Campus Principal, as well as, to provide a bid or quote for identified services.

Assess level of experience in delivering the work: The district and campus administrators researched the number of years of service for each provider/vendor and requested information pertaining to the level of experience of its staff, along with a list of previous clients. Any provider/vendor that did not have at least 10 years of experience in providing services in the same category was notated. Additionally, previous clients of each provider were contacted in order to solicit feedback.

Determine a history of prior success; consistent strong results in similar projects: In order to determine prior success, the district and campus requested feedback from the provider/vendor's previous clients. The feedback included the degree to which the services provided had been successful in achieving the intended results and was consistent with strong results in similar projects, as well as, previous experience with TTIPS grantees. In addition, the providers were required to be experienced in implementing services that would allow the campus to function independently (build capacity) after all services have been rendered, such as implementing a Train-the-Trainer Model.

Conduct a risk-assessment related to contracting: The district and campus administrators assessed how the contracting of each external provider would support the TTIPS goals for campus reform and how the relationship would be managed. Areas of concern included the security issues related to the accessibility that would be granted to technology and students. The campus is aware that by allowing access to any provider to install technology and/or software in the district, student, teacher, and staff records are at a risk of being compromised. In addition, by allowing external providers access to the campus, they would also gain access to the students. To minimize the threat to students, teachers, staff, and parents, the district will enforce the fingerprinting policy as per the Texas Education Code (TEC), Chapter 22, Subchapter C. This will include any individual that is employed or subcontracted through the agency to provide any level of service at the campus. In addition, each provider will be required to submit a signed Confidentiality Form. This form will help to ensure students, teachers, staff, and parent's information is protected as required by FERPA.

**Execute final selection and procurement:** Once the experience, history of prior success, previous result, and risk-assessment were approved, a high-quality service provider/vendor for each category was selected. As per the district's policy, if the grant is awarded, any quote and/or invoice that exceed \$25,000 will be scheduled to be presented for school board approval during the next scheduled school board meeting.

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Statutory Requirement 2: External Provider Oversight. Describe your rigorous and ongoing process to provide oversight to external providers to ensure their continued quality and success in meeting project deliverables. Include in the description:

- Proposed schedule to regularly review external provider performance
- · Campus/district personnel responsible for oversight and management of providers
- · Process/instruments used to measure and monitor success of providers
- Corrective actions or additional supports utilized to improve provider performance
- Criteria/sequence of actions to be taken to remove/replace a low performing provider

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GRANT SPECIFIC CRITERIA (GSC): Methods described for rigorous oversight of external providers ensures ongoing high-quality service and success in delivering outcomes. (10 points) Rigorous and On-going Process to Provide Oversight to Providers: If awarded, the campus will employ a full-time District Coordinator of School Improvement (DCSI) that will be responsible for providing oversight to the external providers. The DCSI will be required to: Be present at the on-set of the contractual agreement with each provider; Attend professional development trainings; Work with the Director of Instructional Technology to oversee the installation of technology, hardware, and/or software; Meet with teachers, staff, students, parents, and/or community members to discuss the quality and ease of providers' implementation of products, services, and strategies; Allow for those receiving services to complete surveys evaluating the external providers' performance; Respond to any questions, issues, and/or concerns that may arise about the external provider (s); and Provide the Intervention Team with regular updates on the external providers' performance.

Proposed Schedule to Regularly Review Provider Performance: Since each provider will deliver services at various times throughout the year and will range in frequency, the campus will create an online calendar of events that will include dates of the following activities: each of the external provider's expected services; when and method to review providers; when the preview of performance or services will be conducted; when issues will be addressed with the external provider(s); and when assessment results will be submitted to the Intervention Team for review. This calendar will be available for the DCSI, Principal, and Intervention Team to link to their cell phone or laptop in order to provide up-to-date notifications of upcoming events. This online calendar will allow for on-going and continuous oversight.

Campus/District Personnel Responsible For Oversight and Management of Providers: As previously mentioned, the DCSI will be responsible for providing direct oversight and management of the providers. The DCSI will share any issues with the providers to the Campus Intervention Team, Director for Professional Learning, and Executive Director for Secondary Curriculum & Instruction, who will meet to discuss the necessary steps to improve or replace the provider (s). Process/Instruments Used to Measure and Monitor Success of Providers: In order to ensure that each of the providers is held to a high-level of excellence, the DCSI will implement several processes and will utilize appropriate instruments to constantly monitor and evaluate the success of each provider. These will include the following:

- Lead Teachers will assist with soliciting input from teachers regarding the professional development and
  implementation of products and services. To gather this information, the Lead Teachers will host face-to-face
  discussion groups immediately following each training session, at which time teachers will be asked to complete
  evaluations or provide testimonials. These evaluations/testimonials will collect teachers' input regarding the quality of
  the information that was provided, the presenters' ability to articulate new procedures in a manner that is easy to
  follow, and the teachers' opinion of the relevance of the training that was provided.
- The Director of Instructional Technology will assist with by providing a professional opinion regarding the technology, hardware, and software external provider(s). The Director of Instructional Technology will be asked to rate the quality of the products that are provided, the ease of access of installation, the compatibility with existing resources, the knowledge and experience of the installation technician (s), and the support and training that was provided to the appropriate individuals. In addition to completing a written evaluation, the Director of Instructional Technology will also solicit the opinions of teachers and students that will be utilizing the new resources via a short survey.

Corrective Actions Utilized to Improve Provider Performance: Based upon the results of the assessments, the DCSI may be required to meet with the providers to request a modification of services or additional support or trainings. Individuals that provide technology, hardware, and software may be asked to provide additional trainings to teachers and/or to replace products that are not functioning properly. As needed, professional development trainers may need to work with the DCSI to review the menu of available trainings and identify different trainings. If the issue is with the presenter, the DCSI will request a different presenter be assigned to the campus.

Criteria to Remove/Replace a Low-Performing Provider: Should a provider not meet the expectations or scope of work for the campus's TTIPS Program, as outlined in the written agreement/contract, the DCSI may suggest to the campus and district administrators that the provider be replaced. An alternate provider or intervention will be presented as a solution based on the previous pool of external providers identified. If it is agreed that the change is warranted, the provider will be notified in writing of the campus's decision and, if needed, an amendment will be submitted to TEA for approval.

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Stat Imp	tutory Requirement 3: Pre-Implementation Year. List and describe primary activities planned for the Planning/ Pre- lementation period in the grant to occur from February 1, 2017-July 31, 2017. These activities shall be designed to pare the district and campus for stronger full Implementation than would be possible without Pre-Implementation.		
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1.	The district and campus will oversee the Campus Intervention Team/P-16 Leadership Initiatives Team which will consist of TTIPS staff, district and campus staff, teachers, parents, and community members. The Intervention Team will be responsible for meeting on a regular basis and reviewing data collected and determining if the campus is or target to meet proposed objectives.		
2.	The district and campus will hire a TTIPS District Coordinator of School Improvement (DCSI).		
3.	The district and campus will identify all key partners in place that will enable the success of the Early College High School.		
4.	The district will establish a Memorandum of Understanding with South Texas College (STC) to provide college credi earned through the students' high school years at no cost to the students; including tuition, fees and textbook costs.		
5.	The district, campus, and key partners will develop and maintain an intervention team focused on P-16 Leadership Initiatives that will meet regularly to address issues of the ECHS design and sustainability. The membership will include the campus principal and individuals with decision-making authority from both the district and South Texas College (STC).		
6.	The district and campus will develop a plan to increase teacher and school leader effectiveness through use of the Texas Teacher Evaluation and Support System and Texas Principal Evaluation and Support System.		
7.	The campus will partner with a TEA approved Texas ECHS Technical Assistance Provider, and fulfill any conditions required to maintain TEA designation status.		
8.	The campus will contract/partner with a Texas ECHS demonstration site or other Texas ECHS that have retained designation for at least the last four consecutive years and assessed as exemplary using the Texas ECHS Blueprin or other ECHS selected as a match partner site by the TEA.		
9.	The TTIPS personnel will travel to visit with the selected Texas ECHS demonstration site and discuss best practices and experiences.		
10.	The campus will identify a curriculum that offers a rigorous and accelerated course of study, in both college-credi bearing courses and preparatory/college readiness courses. The curriculum will allow all students to graduate high school with at least six (6) credit hours by the start of the 2017-2018 academic school year to sixty (60) by 2018 2019.		
11.	The campus will develop a written course of study plan showing how students will progress as an ECHS graduate The plan will provide a pathway to a Baccalaureate Degree and follow the courses and fields of study listed in the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) Lower Division Academic Course Guide Manual.		
12.	The campus will develop a plan to provide academic supports to the students in the form of: extended learning time sessions for tutoring, advisory and/or college readiness support time built into the program of study, and a college readiness mentorship program.		
13.	The campus will develop a plan provide social and emotional supports for the students, including: connections to social services, parent outreach, and involvement opportunities.		
14.	The district and campus staff will conduct meetings for curriculum planning, design, and creation.		
15.	The grant personnel will receive training to be provided by the contracted agencies including PEERS, Region 1 ESC Comprehensive Training Center, and Pitsco.		
16.	The campus will work with the ECHS TAP to create and submit an Early College High School Readiness Assessment in addition to the required TTIPS Implementation Readiness Portfolio.		
17.	The campus will pursue and acquire the Texas Early College High School school-wide designation with ar implementation date of no later than the 2017-2018 school year.		
18.	The district and campus will procure any necessary software and/or hardware required during the implementation year.		
19.	The district and campus will purchase allowable supplies and materials required to successfully operate the program.		
20.	The campus will hold a meeting, which will be open to the public, in order to solicit feedback and suggestions regarding the activities to be provided through the grant program.		

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Statutory Requirement 4: Coordinated and Integrated Efforts. Describe any ongoing, existing efforts that are similar or related to the planned project. How will you coordinate efforts to maximize effectiveness of grant funds? Response is limited to space provided, front side only. Use Arial font, no smaller than 10 point.

Weslaco ISD and Weslaco East High School will coordinate existing strategies and interventions, resources and facilities and other appropriate community, state, and federal resources in order to maximize the effectiveness of the TTIPS grant over the four-year program and beyond grant funding.

On-Going, Existing Efforts Similar or Related to the Planned Project: With the recent decrease in state and federal funding, the campus has struggled to provide programs that are designed to generate campus reform. The campus does; however, provide limited regular and on-going professional development to all teachers and staff. In addition, state Instructional Materials Allotment (IMA) funds are utilized to purchase teaching materials that are research-proven to increase student participation and scores. Finally, the campus will provide assessments and conducts walkthroughs for all teachers on a regular basis.

Other efforts that will have an indirect effect on the TTIPS Program include, but are not limited to:

- In-kind services from the Business Office personnel who will create purchase orders, produce monthly payroll, ensure grant expenditures are allowable and necessary;
- Usage of existing and new curriculum recently purchased through local or state funds;
- In-kind services of current campus teachers and paraprofessionals;
- Maintenance and repair of hardware, technology, and software;
- Maintenance and repair of instructional facilities;
- Utilization of existing computer labs, printers, and telephone systems;
- Utility services including: electricity, water, Internet, etc.

How Coordinated Efforts will Maximize Effectiveness of Grant Funds: If awarded, the campus will provide existing program resources to support the proposed TTIPS Program with technology equipment and training materials. Teachers and staff will also be allowed to utilize existing school facilities, computers, TV/DVD's, projectors, and overhead materials, as well as, participate in staff trainings and meetings. In addition, the campus will utilize existing staff to provide support to the program. The Chief Financial Officer will assist in managing grant expenditures; campus administrators will conduct assessments and evaluations; and Board members will be asked to keep stakeholders informed of the on-going progress of the program. These funds will not be used to divert or decrease existing services required by state law, the Texas Education Agency (TEA-State Board of Education), or by local policy.

The campus administrators feel confident that they have the capacity and commitment to provide adequate resources and related services to the campus staff to implement, fully and effectively, the required activities of the **Texas State-Design Model**. The campus has a great need for the funds and has a strong commitment from the Board of Trustees, Superintendent, Campus Principal, Counselor, Paraprofessionals, Teachers, Site-Based Decision-Making Committees (SBDM), Campus Administration, Parents, and Community Members to ensure that the funds are used to provide adequate resources to enable the campus to raise substantially the achievement of their students. During the grant period, staff will continue to utilize the support of the School, Principal, Teachers, Parents, And Community to fully integrate the proposed program.

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Statutory Requirement 7: Evaluation Systems for Teachers and Principals, accounting for student growth Applicants proposing a TRANSFORMATION, TEXAS STATE-DESIGN, or EARLY LEARNING model must use a rigorous, transparent, and equitable evaluation system that takes into account student growth as a significant factor. Please review the description of requirements of the evaluation systems under these models in Schedule #2 Provisions and Assurances.

These applicants shall respond to the prompts in the table below.

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Describe the data sources for student growth accounted for in the teacher and principal evaluation system. Include how student growth is weighted in evaluation:

Student growth plays an intricate part in an educator's evaluation. Of the 5 parts of the teachers' evaluation, students' academic achievement will be heavily weighted at 50%. Therefore, to determine student's growth, the campus will utilize various data sources (weight) in the evaluation process including the following:

STAAR, ACT, SAT, EOC, and TSI Testing and Local Benchmarks (50%): The campus will utilize STAAR, ACT, SAT, EOC, and TSI scores for the 2015-2016 calendar school-year, for appropriate grade levels, as well as, local benchmarks, as the basis for student growth comparison. Subsequent testing scores will be utilized in order to see if the campus has an increase in the number of students that met the standards. In addition, the campus will track the number of students by teachers that met the standards in order to determine if each teacher is being effective in the classroom.

**Walk-Throughs (20%)**: District, campus, and TTIPS staff will conduct walk-throughs during the teacher's instructional period in order to determine if the teacher is effectively engaging and managing the students and classroom.

Student Attendance and PEIMS 425 Reports (15%): The TTIPS and campus staff will review attendance and PEIMS reports in order to determine if PBIS strategies are being implemented effectively in the classroom or are needed.

<u>Classwork (10%)</u>: The campus will review students' classwork regularly in order to determine whether students are showing significant academic growth. Student class scores will be compared to previous years as well as to the teacher's peers in order to determine whether the teacher is being effective in the classroom.

Rtl Software (5%): Teachers will utilize Rtl software to assess students each month.

Assessment results will assist the campus in determining if students' academics are improving. As can been seen in the data that will be generated above, the campus will gather data from multiple sources throughout the four-year grant period in order to determine if teachers are positively impacting students' performance.

Describe how the evaluation system design includes multiple observation-based assessments and ongoing collections of professional practice:

**Observation-based Assessments:** Walk-throughs and assessments will be conducted quarterly by the District Coordinator of School Improvement (DCSI), Lead Teachers, and Instructional Coaches on all core area teachers. An annual walk-through and assessment will be conducted by the Principal on all teachers. In addition, teachers in each core areas will be selected to have a walk-through and assessment conducted by the External Evaluator.

**On-Going Collection**: Data will be collected on an on-going basis through multiple sources during each school year to track teachers' effectiveness, practices being implemented, and classroom management and provide struggling teachers with additional professional development training, resources, and support.

Describe how the evaluation system was developed with teacher and principal involvement:

The approved appraisal (evaluation) system was developed by the district- and campus-level committees and adopted by the Board of Trustees. The committees consist of district-level staff (Superintendent, Human Resource Director, Director for Professional Learning, and Executive Director for Secondary Curriculum and Instruction,), as well as, the Campus Principal, Teachers, and Paraprofessional.

The committees met in order to discuss the various methods that can be utilized to evaluate teachers. The administrators understand that it was imperative that multiple avenues be utilized to assess the teachers' performance. This would provide a more holistic means to determine the teachers' effectiveness.

Therefore, the appraisal system will be based on observable, job-related behavior, including: (1) teachers' implementation of discipline management procedures; and (2) the performance of teachers' students. The system will be detailed by category of professional skill and characteristic and will provide separate ratings for each category.

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Statutory Requirement 8: Educator Reward and Removal

Applicants proposing a TRANSFORMATION, TEXAS STATE-DESIGN, or EARLY LEARNING model must have protocols to identify and reward school leaders, teachers, and other staff who have increased student achievement; and identify/remove those who have not improved their professional practice. Please review the description of requirements for educator reward and removal under these models in Schedule #2 Provisions and Assurances.

These applicants shall respond to the prompts in the table below.

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The campus has developed a rewards system that will be utilized to motivate and recognize Lead Teachers and teachers whose students demonstrate an increase in academic achievement during the implementation of the **Texas State-Design Model**. Due to the comprehensive nature of the teacher reform strategies, the planned reward system will provide mentors and teachers a multi-tiered incentive program. An example of the proposed plan is provided in the table below. Funds not utilized will be redistributed to the remaining eligible Lead Teachers/teachers.

Describe the rewards available for educators who have increased student achievement in implementing the model:

Maximum Fligible A	Amount Per Year:	\$5.000
Paid per teacher that demonstrates growth (10 teachers maximum)	\$200	\$2,000
Paid per assigned teacher (10 teachers maximum)	\$100	\$1,000
Paid Biannually (at the end of each semester)	\$1,000	\$2,000
Basis	Amount	Total
LEAD TEACHERS		

Maximali Eligible A	MODINE OF COURT	40,000	
TEACHERS			
Basis	Amount	Total	
% of students that demonstrate improvement in TSI standards, EOC,	5% - \$1,000 10% - \$2,000	42 AAA	
SAT and/or ACT.	10% - \$2,000	φ2,000	
% of students that demonstrate improvement in attendance or	5% <b>-</b> \$250	\$500	
maintain a minimum of 97% attendance rate.	10% - \$500	0 2500	
0/ of persons that demonstrate as increase is personal involvement	10% - \$250	\$500	
% of parents that demonstrate an increase in parental involvement.	15% <i>-</i> \$500	Ψ500	

Maximum Eligible Amount Per Year: \$3,000

Describe protocols/interventions to support teachers who are struggling to improve professional practice:

**Protocols**: In order to support new and struggling teachers, the campus has devised a system of support that is designed to ensure the growth and success of each teacher. On-going monitoring of each core area teacher conducted by multiple district, campus, and contracted staff will help ensure that struggling teachers who are identified through the district's appraisal system are provided with the appropriate interventions to address any area of need.

Interventions: Struggling teachers will be placed in clusters with the Lead Teachers and Instructional Coaches to provide individualized professional development trainings that are grade-specific. The trainings will include topics designed to improve classroom management and instruction for students' academic achievement. The clusters will remain in groups of no more than 6 to allow for a high-level of intervention.

The criteria for educator removal will be based on the district's appraisal system. The approved system utilized is based on observable, job-related behavior, including: (1) teachers' implementation of discipline management procedures; and (2) the performance of teachers' students. The system to be utilized was developed by the district- and campus-level committees and adopted by the Board of Trustees.

Describe the criteria established for educator removal: All teachers will have the opportunity to improve, if need be, based on the appraisal results. Teachers needing improvement will receive additional classroom observations and walk-throughs, along with appropriate intervention. The teachers' assigned Lead Teachers, Instructional Coach, and DCSI will meet to discuss improvement and targeted intervention strategies. If no improvement is noted and no added solutions can be devised, this individual will be recommended for dismissal to the Principal. A complete report will be included with the recommendation that will include: evaluation results, a list of strategies implemented, list of trainings provided, and students' performance results. Based on this information, the Principal and Superintendent will meet with the Human Resources Department and review what steps will be followed to remove the teacher from employment. The final step will be to submit the recommendation to remove the teacher to the Board of Trustees.

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Statutory Requirement 9: Non-Academic/Social-Emotional Supports for Students

Applicants proposing a **TEXAS STATE-DESIGN**, **TURNAROUND**, or **WHOLE SCHOOL REFORM** model must include comprehensive provisions for appropriate non-academic supports, including social-emotional and community oriented services.

These applicants shall list and describe the non-academic, social-emotional, and community-oriented services that will be provided to students in the space below.

Applicants not proposing a Texas State-Design, Turnaround, or Whole School Reform Model shall indicate below with "N/A". Response is limited to space provided, front side only. Use Arial font, no smaller than 10 point.

Weslaco East High School is committed to providing a well-rounded Early College High School through the Texas State-Design Model; therefore, the campus and its staff will provide appropriate non-academic supports, including socialemotional and community oriented services as follows:

Non-Academic Supports: The campus will provide essential non-academic support to students including social skills, study habits, and time management strategies. In order for students to achieve success in the Early College High School, they will require more than just academic skills. Students will be assigned a full-time College Readiness Specialist (Counselor) who will help them adapt to new expectations, learning styles, professors, and surroundings. Students will learn to collaborate with college students and professors, as well as, satisfy college courses and graduation requirements. For many students, these new responsibilities can be overwhelming. This is because many students lack the essential non-academic skills necessary to tackle college challenges. However, the district and campus administrators feel confident that the College Readiness Specialist, along with teachers and staff, can help student overcome these obstacles.

Moreover, the Principal and teachers will also receive the necessary professional development training in order to become desensitized to these non-academic barriers.

**Social-Emotional Services**: The social and emotional support of the ECHS students will be crucial to sustain in order to ensure academic success. The ECHS will provide social, academic, and emotional support to students through counseling, academic and career advising, schedule management, resource referrals, and managing student concerns. Again, a full-time College Readiness Specialist (Counselor) will be assigned to all the ECHS students that will provide academic, social, and emotional guidance and counseling services.

The Weslaco East ECHS's objective is to provide social and emotional support to the students by developing a Personalized Learning Community (PLC). This will be developed by offering individualized career and course planning with all students, setting up Individual Graduation Plans, assisting students with personal or family matters, and providing social and emotional advisement. Moreover, group sessions will be provided when necessary to handle social and emotional issues with fellow students. Additionally, student/parent/teacher conferences will be set up to ensure academic and emotional encouragement is provided not just to the student, but to the parents as well.

Community-Oriented Services: The campus will partner with Communities In Schools to provide community-oriented services; thus, empowering students to stay in school and continue their education through college. Communities In Schools (CIS) has an evidence-based approach adapted to meet each community's unique needs. CIS's unique model includes three (3) major components:

- **1.)** A Site-Coordinator The Site Coordinator will fill a pivotal role as the single point of contact working on campus to provide integrated student services. The Site Coordinator connects students and families with community partners and resources that address both academic and nonacademic needs.
- 2.) Collaborative Efforts The Site Coordinator will work with the school staff and identifies students at risk of dropping out. He or she assesses the school, as well as, students' needs and establishes relationships with local businesses, social service agencies, health care providers, and volunteers; and
- **3.)** Integrated Services The Site Coordinator will work with volunteers, partners and the local community to provide students with the resources they need to succeed both inside and outside the classroom. Communities In Schools is cost-effective for less than \$200 annually per student, CIS is able to provide a comprehensive range of community services.

Each year CIS' affiliates which serve students report outcomes, as well as, monitor and adjust services. Communities In Schools is an evidence-based organization supported by the Texas Education Agency (TEA) which effectively delivers the human, financial, and community resources to help children succeed in school and achieve in life.

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Statutory Requirement 10: Developing an Early College school-wide strategy

Applicants proposing a **TEXAS STATE-DESIGN** model must deliver a comprehensive school improvement strategy, implemented for all students in the school, which is consistent with the Texas concept for developing an *Early College High School* (ECHS). Please review the description of the Texas State-Design model in Schedule #2 Provisions and Assurances

These applicants shall respond to the prompts in the table below. Applicants not proposing a Texas State-Design model shall indicate below with "N/A".

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Identify the IHE partner that will be in place for the early college high school development and implementation. Include the title/role of the IHE primary point of contact, and essential agreements reached at this point:

IHE Partner in Place: The Weslaco East High School has had a long-standing relationship with South Texas College (STC) in providing distance learning and dual enrollment courses; therefore, the Weslaco East High School has identified South Texas College (STC) as the Institution of Higher Education (IHE) that will partner with the Early College High School (ECHS) through the development and implementation.

**Title/Role of the IHE Primary Point of Contact**: The primary point of contact at STC will be Ms. Sofia M. Peña whose title is the Director for Early College High School.

Essential Agreements Reached at this Point: Currently, the district has an existing Memorandum of Understanding with South Texas College (STC) which includes joint decision-making procedures that allow for the planning and implementation of a coherent program across institutions. The Memorandum of Understanding with STC addresses the following topics: the ECHS location; the allocation of costs for tuition, fees, textbooks, and student transportation; joint decision-making procedures; and provisions and processes for collecting, sharing, and reviewing program and student data to assess the progress of the ECHS.

Weslaco East High School and South Texas College (STC) will agree to the following fee waiver plan which is noted in the signed MOU:

College Course Fee: STC waives the \$50.00 per credit hour fee for those students taking courses where: 1) The instructor's full salary for teaching the course is paid by the high school; and 2) The course is taught at the high school using the campus's classrooms and labs, including equipment and technology.

Describe the sustainable source of funds or fee waiver plan that will enable students to access college courses, TSI assessments, textbooks and college fees; without cost to the student:

**Textbook and College Fees**: STC may be able to apply a discount to qualifying textbooks which will be determined by the college based on the textbook. Regardless of discount applied, no fees will be assessed to the students. Moreover, Weslaco East High School will provide transportation from its campus to STC; therefore, students will not be assessed any parking fees.

Assessment Fees: Weslaco East High School was recently approved as a TSI Testing Center. Therefore, students will test at the campus instead of STC. The fee for the TSI will be charged at a reduced rate of \$12.00 with a retest fee of \$3.00 per subject. However, if awarded, Weslaco East High will utilize grant funds to cover the initial testing fee of \$12. It will be the student's responsibility to pay any retest fees, if needed. The Texas Success Initiative (TSI) assessment is required for all students with an educational plan to graduate with a high school diploma and an associate degree; or high school diploma and 60 college credit hours toward a baccalaureate degree.

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Statutory Requirement 11: Developing an Early College school-wide strategy (continued)

Applicants proposing a **TEXAS STATE-DESIGN** model must deliver a comprehensive school improvement strategy, implemented for all students in the school, which is consistent with the Texas concept for developing an *Early College High School* (ECHS). Please review the description of the Texas State-Design model in Schedule #2 Provisions and Assurances.

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Processes the district will take to build the number of college courses available: Weslaco ISD and Weslaco East High School are fully committed to expanding its Health and Medical Professions Early College High School (ECHS) which provides an opportunity for its student to graduate with college hours and/or an Associate's Degree. The Medical Professions Early College High School (ECHS) was designated during the 2015-2016 academic school year as a school-within-a school. Through the campus's existing resources and potential funding from the TTIPS grant, Weslaco East High School will expand to a school-wide ECHS campus and will ensure that the number of college courses available to students during high school will increase from a minimum of six (6) by the start of the 2017-2018 to sixty (60) by the start of 2018-2019 school year.

If awarded the TTIPS funding, Weslaco ISD and the Weslaco East High School campus would apply to expand its designation to a school-wide Early College High School and offer an endorsement in Biology and Interdisciplinary Studies. These endorsements have previously been approved through the existing Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with South Texas College (STC). Through this MOU, joint decision-making procedures have already been established that allow for the planning and implementation of a coherent program across both institutions.

Describe the processes the LEA/campus will take to build the number of college courses available to students to gain during high school to a minimum of six (6) by the start of the 2017-2018 school year to sixty (60) by the start of 2018-2019 school year:

Specifically, the MOU states that STC and Weslaco East High School will provide a course of study that enables a participating student to receive a high school diploma and either an associate's degree or 60 semester hours towards a baccalaureate degree during grades 9-12. South Texas College will give credit for courses taken for dual credit under the Dual Enrollment Courses Agreements which have been approved with primary emphasis on the Core Curriculum requirements for all Associate of Arts' degrees. At the start of a student's 9th grade year of high school, the student will receive an academic degree plan upon the completion of a career and program of study interest inventory. During a student's senior year, or after completion of the core curriculum, courses for field of study programs can be completed according to STC's suggestion of course sequencing. Such courses will be evaluated and approved through the official college curriculum approval process and will be taught at the college-level.

Moreover, Weslaco East High School will also partner with the Texas Virtual School Network (TxVSN) to provide online courses to eligible students. The TxVSN was established by the Texas Legislature in 2007 to provide Texas students with equitable access to quality, online courses. Since its inception in January 2009, the TxVSN has provided Texas students and schools with a valuable avenue for interactive, collaborative, instructor-led online courses taught by state certified and appropriately credentialed teachers. The Texas Education Agency (TEA) offers state-supported online learning opportunities to students across the state through the Texas Virtual School Network (TxVSN) using a network approach that works in partnership with districts. TEA, under the leadership of the commissioner of education, administers the TxVSN, sets standards for and approves TxVSN courses and professional development for online teachers, and has fiscal responsibility for the network. If awarded, the district will submit an application, along with the course schedule, to TxVSN for review in order to provide online college courses.

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Statutory Requirement 12: Developing an Early College school-wide strategy (continued)

Applicants proposing a **TEXAS STATE-DESIGN** model must deliver a comprehensive school improvement strategy, implemented for all students in the school, which is consistent with the Texas concept for developing an *Early College High School* (ECHS). Please review the description of the Texas State-Design model in Schedule #2 Provisions and Assurances.

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The following academic, social, college readiness and college access services will be in place by Fall 2017, to support student success in college-level coursework. Weslaco East ECHS will hire a full-time College Readiness Specialist (Counselor) to be assigned to all the ECHS students. The Counselor will provide services in partnership with the South Texas College (STC) ECHS Liaison. The services to be provided to the students will include the following:

Academic: The Weslaco East High School will provide a personalized learning environment by creating a seamless curriculum between the high school and South Texas College (STC). The campus will provide a work-based experience for its students through rigorous, purposeful, and responsive instruction with emphasis on leadership and relationship development. In order to ensure that students feel comfortable and are successful in their classroom and coursework, the high school will implement strategies that will help develop a personalized learning environment. For example, if a student is not performing at the required level in two or more college courses, the Principal and College Readiness Specialist (Counselor) will personally meet with the student to identify the reason for the student's low performance. This will occur after each 3-week progress reporting period and after each 6-week report card distribution.

Describe the academic, social, college readiness and college access services that will be in place by Fall 2017, to support student success in college-level coursework and continued post-secondary education pursuits:

Once the issue has been identified, the College Readiness Specialist will ensure the required measures are taken. Measures will include, but are not limited to the following actions: Teachers will meet as a team to discuss the student's specific grade-level needs and will implement a plan of intervention; Parents will be contacted for any student failing or borderline of failing; STC will provide tutorial programs to students in all subject areas and at various times through the Centers for Learning Excellence (CLE). The Centers for Learning Excellence provides academic tutoring in most college subjects offered at STC. The CLE also provides computers for student use, Internet access, and academic printing. All services in the Centers for Learning Excellence are free of charge. The learning environment will be one of the district's top priorities for the ECHS to ensure that students are feeling comfortable and become successful in their classrooms and coursework.

**Social**: The social and emotional support of the students will be crucial to maintain in order to ensure academic success. The Early College High School will ensure it provides continuous social and emotional support to the students by developing a Personalized Learning Community (PLC). This will be developed by offering individualized career and course planning with all students, setting up Individual Graduation Plans, assisting in personal or family matters, and providing social and emotional advisement. Moreover, group sessions will be provided when necessary to handle social and emotional issues with fellow students. Additionally, student/parent/teacher conferences will be set up to ensure academic and emotional encouragement is provided not just to the student, but to the parents as well.

College Readiness: The ECHS campus will provide students with a variety of college readiness services including, but not limited to: Academic planning for college; college exploration and selection; college admission; assistance with financial aid applications; SAT/ACT and TSI preparation; and transitional services from high school to college enrollment. These services will be provided by both Weslaco East and STC to encourage early college planning and provide guidance throughout the college admission and financial aid processes.

College Access: The ECHS students will be issued a college Student Identification Card, which will allow them access to the college's academic and support facilities, such as libraries, labs, advising center, career center, eating facilities, cultural facilities, and sports facilities. The ECHS Campus is located within 2.2 miles of the college campus, which will allow students to have regular use (a minimum of six times per school year) of college academic facilities due to the close proximity of the campus to the college.

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class size limitations and comparable staff salaries.

### Not Applicable

Indicate if the campus will partner with communitybased provider or off-site campus to deliver key components of the model: such as staffing or facilities needed to deliver a gradelevel or other educational program.

If such a partnership will exist, describe how the campus and LEA will ensure all students benefitting from the grant are enrolled at the eligible grantee campus.

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Statutory Requirement 14: High-quality preschool programming (continued)

Applicants proposing the EARLY LEARNING INTERVENTION model must deliver an elementary program that meets the definition included in program federal requirements and is integrated in a campus-wide school improvement model. Please review the description of requirements under the Early Learning Intervention model in Schedule #2 Provisions and Assurances.

These applicants shall respond to the prompts in the table below. Applicants not proposing an Early Learning Intervention model shall indicate below with "N/A".

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Describe how the preschool program proposed is: research-based; vertically aligned in math, science, literacy, language through the elementary grades; and develops socio-emotional skills:

### Not Applicable

Describe the student assessment data that will be examined for the preschool and kindergarten classes that inform continuous improvement and next-grade readiness:

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- List the key interventions the campus will implement to improve the instructional program in order to achieve increased academic performance.
- · Provide a description of grant costs named in the Budget Schedules, indicating how costs will support the intervention to improve the instructional program.

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### Description of Grant Costs to Support Intervention (Budget Narrative) Improve the Instructional Program Planned Intervention Critical Success Factor:

	This campus will implement a curriculum that enables students to receive a (	nts to receive a 6100 - The campus will hire a DCSI and College Readiness Specialist/Counselor to
	high school diploma and complete the Texas Higher Education	Education create a study plan.
<del>~</del> :	1. Coordinating Board's (THECB) core curriculum; or an associate's degree;	
	or at least 60 credit hours toward a baccalaureate degree during grades 9- 6200- The campus will partner with STC to provide college-level courses.	3200- The campus will partner with STC to provide college-level courses.
	12.	•
	The campus will develop a written course of study plan showing how	
c	students will progress as an ECHS graduate. The plan will provide a	
i	pathway to a Baccalaureate Degree and follow the courses and fields of	
	study listed in the THECB Lower Division Academic Course Guide Manual.	
	The campus will provide academic supports to the students in the form of.	The campus will provide academic supports to the students in the form of
ç	extended learning time sessions for tutoring, advisory and/or college	5100 - The campus has budgeled for extended learning time and tutoring for its
<u>ن</u>	readiness support time built into the program of study, and a college-	and a college- students to be provided by the teachers.
	The campus will provide social and emotional supports for the students, I	The campus will provide social and emotional supports for the students, 6100 - The campus will hire a College Readiness Specialist/Counselor to provide
4,	4. Including: connections to social services, parent outreach and involvement social and emotional supports.	social and emotional supports.
	opportunities.	
	The campus will provide for the administration of the Texas Success,	The campus will provide for the administration of the Texas Success coop The campus will provide for the administration of the Texas Success
	Initiative (TSI) college placement exam to students in order to assess	1200 - The campus has brouger fullas to cover the students resting fees associated
ις.	5. college readiness, design individual instruction plans, and enable students	Will the Co.
	to begin college courses based on their performance. The fees associated	
	with the administration of the TSI will be waived for all students.	

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### Amendment # (for amendments only) Schedule #17—Responses to TEA Program Requirements County-district number or vendor ID: 108-913

TEA Program Requirement 2: Interventions and Resources to meet Model Requirements- INCREASE TEACHER QUALITY

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- List the key interventions the campus will implement to increase teacher quality in order to achieve increased academic performance.
- · Provide a description of grant costs named in the Budget Schedules, indicating how costs will support the intervention to increase teacher quality.

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·	Critical Success Factor: Increase Teacher Quality	
	Planned Intervention	Description of Grant Costs to Support Intervention (Budget Narrative)
<del>-</del>	The campus will allow teachers to continue their education and receive tuition reimbursement for their Master's Degree so that they are qualified to teach college-level courses.	The campus will allow teachers to continue their education and receive 6100- The campus has budgeted funds for a Teacher Master's Program. The funds tuition reimbursement for their Master's Degree so that they are qualified to will be reimbursed to teachers upon completion of their Master's Degree. teach college-level courses.
7.	Instructional Coaches will be hired to provide on-site professional 6200 – The campus will hire qualified Instructional development to teachers on how to use evidence-based teaching practices professional development trainings and coaching and provide support in learning and applying these practices.	Instructional Coaches will be hired to provide on-site professional 6200 – The campus will hire qualified Instructional Coaches to provide a host of development to teachers on how to use evidence-based teaching practices professional development trainings and coaching.
<b>છ</b> ં	Current teachers will be assessed in order to identify individuals that are 6100 – The campus will implem qualified to serve as Lead Teachers. These individuals will be provided with up to \$5,000 per Lead Teacher. professional development training that will prepare them to serve in their new role of Trainer-of-Trainers. Each Lead Teacher will provide support and oversight to their assigned teachers that have less than 2 years of experience and/or are struggling.	Current teachers will be assessed in order to identify individuals that are 6100 – The campus will implement a Lead Teacher Program and pay stipends of qualified to serve as Lead Teachers. These individuals will be provided with up to \$5,000 per Lead Teacher. professional development training that will prepare them to serve in their new role of Trainer-of-Trainers. Each Lead Teacher will provide support and oversight to their assigned teachers that have less than 2 years of experience and/or are struggling.
4,	(technology, software, vided to teachers that are de nd academics. Each participatir development training on the pro	Research-proven resources (technology, software, hardware, formanipulatives, etc.) will be provided to teachers that are designed to including laptops, Chromebooks, and Rtl software. Improve students' engagement and academics. Each participating teacher will be provided with professional development training on the proper use of 6200 – Professional development will be provided on the use of technology and software.
5.	Teachers will be provided with performance-based stipends and extra-duty pay for any hours worked beyond their contracted schedule.	and extra-duty 6100 – The campus has budgeted up to \$3,000 per teacher to provide stipends for teachers whose students demonstrate academic and attendance performance, as well as extra-duty pay.

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- List the key interventions the campus will implement to increase leadership effectiveness in order to achieve increased academic performance.
- Provide a description of grant costs named in the Budget Schedules, indicating how costs will support the intervention to increase leadership effectiveness.

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	Critical Success Factor: Increase Leadership Effectiveness	
-23-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-	Planned Intervention	Description of Grant Costs to Support Intervention (Budget Narrative)
<del>-</del>	A District Coordinator of School Improvement (DCSI) will strategies of the TTIPS <b>Texas State-Design Model</b> . The employed to oversee, manage, and support the planned proprovided with similar leadership training as those provided ensure that she/he has the ability and confidence to manage	I be hired to implement all 6100 - The campus will hire a full-time DCSI for the TTIPS Program. is individual will be solely gram. This individual will be to the principal in order to the program effectively.
2,	The district, campus, and key partners will develop and maintain a leadership team, focused on P-16 Leadership Initiatives, that meets regularly to address issues of the ECHS design and sustainability. The P-16 Leadership Team will include the campus principal and individuals with decision-making authority from the campus, district, and South Texas College.	6300 – Although the leadership team will not be financially compensated, supplies and materials will be utilized, when needed, for planned meetings.
<u> </u>	***************************************	6200 - Various contracted providers will provide professional development trainings geared at improving the campus' deficiencies, including attendance, coupled with the high percentage of at-risk students.
4		200 - Various contracted providers will provide professional levelopment trainings geared at improving the campus' deficiencies, ncluding attendance, coupled with the high percentage of at-risk itudents.
Ŕ.	The Campus Principal will conduct teacher evaluations based on observable, job- related behavior. The system will be detailed by category of professional skill and characteristic and will provide separate ratings for each category. The evaluations will be utilized to determine teachers' leadership and performance skills.	In-Kind - The campus will utilize the district's current evaluation system, the Texas Teacher Evaluation and Support System and Texas Principal Evaluation and Support System, to perform teacher evaluations.
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- List the key interventions the campus will implement to increase use of quality data in order to achieve increased academic performance.
- Provide a description of grant costs named in the Budget Schedules, indicating how costs will support the intervention to increase use of quality data.

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### Increase Use of Quality Data to Inform Instruction Critical Success Factor:

	Planned Intervention	Description of Grant Costs to Support Intervention (Budget Narrative)
A CONTRACTOR OF THE CONTRACTOR	The District Coordinator of School Improvement (DCSI) will utilize formative and summative assessments to recommend instructional adjustments to the Campus Intervention Team/P-16 Leadership Initiatives Team. The results of the review will be utilized to plan for future activities and	6100 - A full-time DCSI has been budgeted for the duration of the TTIPS Program.
-	professional development trainings. This will occur on a quarterly basis, or as needed.	
2	The Campus Principal and Teachers will utilize part of their Instructional 6100 - Funds I Planning Time to analyze data identify specific students requiring more administrators intensive supports.	The Campus Principal and Teachers will utilize part of their Instructional 6100 - Funds have been budgeted for Instructional Planning Time for teachers and Planning Time for teachers and Planning Time to analyze data identify specific students requiring more administrators.
<u> </u>	The campus will contract with an External Evaluator to ensure continuous use of data to inform and differentiate instruction. The Evaluator will conduct surveys on teachers, parents, students, staff, and community members. In addition, walk-throughs and focus group discussions will be performed. Based on these results, the Evaluator will provide suggestions	The campus will contract with an External Evaluator to ensure continuous budgeted for an external evaluator for each year of the campus has budgeted for an external evaluator for each year of the conduct surveys on teachers, parents, students, students, students, and focus group discussions will be performed. Based on these results, the Evaluator will provide suggestions
4,		6600 - The campus will utilize grant funds to purchase ELA RtI software. The software will help improve students' STAAR proficiency
	PLC groups will meet monthly in order to review data, provide suggestions and feedback, and discuss strategies to address deficiencies. Best practices will also be discussed in order for struggling teachers to gather new methods to address low data scores.	deficiencies. Best administrators.
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- List the key interventions the campus will implement to increase learning time in order to achieve increased academic performance.
- · Provide a description of grant costs named in the Budget Schedules, indicating how costs will support the intervention to increase learning time.

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	Critical Success Factor: In	Increase Learning Time	
	Planne	Planned Intervention	Description of Grant Costs to Support Intervention (Budget Narrative)
	The campus will offer extended learning time for tutor recovery on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays starting weeks of the academic school year. Extended learning tim 4:00 pm and will last until 7:00 pm.	The campus will offer extended learning time for tutoring and credit recovery on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays starting the first six (6) weeks of the academic school year. Extended learning times will begin at 4:00 pm and will last until 7:00 pm.	6100 - The campus has budgeted for 50 hours of extended learning time for each year of the grant. However, Year 1 will be prorated based on the grant's scheduled start date.
2.	The campus will review the academic learning time instruction aligns with students' readiness to learn) as o allocated school time (total amount of time students are order to plan strategies to more closely align these two areas	The campus will review the academic learning time (period when instruction aligns with students' readiness to learn) as opposed to the allocated school time (total amount of time students are at school) in order to plan strategies to more closely align these two areas.	6100 - The DCSI will work with the campus and district administrators to review the academic learning time and plan strategies, as deemed necessary.
_ب	The campus will provide adviso built into each program of study.	The campus will provide advisory and/or college readiness support time built into each program of study.	6100 - The additional instructional learning time will allow the campus to incorporate college readiness support. 6100 - The campus will hire a full-time College Readiness Specialist/Counselor.
4.	Students that do not have a computer at home will be proportunity to check-out a laptop/Chromebook to utilize at will be required to sign a permission slip prior to the retechnology to the student.	Students that do not have a computer at home will be provided with the opportunity to check-out a laptop/Chromebook to utilize at home. Parents will be required to sign a permission slip prior to the releasing of the technology to the student.	6300 - The campus will purchase Chromebooks and laptops to provide a 1:1 student-to-technology ratio.
വ്	The campus' students will be provided with access to curriculum at home. This will allow students to have addinstruction in core academic subjects.	Rtl Software tironal time for	6600 - The campus will purchase ELA Rtf Software designed to increase students' proficiency.

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- List the <u>key interventions</u> the campus will implement to increase parent/community engagement in order to achieve increased academic performance.
- Provide a <u>description of grant costs</u> named in the Budget Schedules, indicating how costs will support the intervention for parent/community engagement.

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	Critical Success Factor: Increase Parent/Community Engagement	
	Planned Intervention	Description of Grant Costs to Support Intervention (Budget Narrative)
<u></u>		6100 - The campus will hire a full-time College Readiness Specialist/Counselor.
23	The campus will implement various strategies to increase parent and community involvement. Strategies will include the contracting of CTC to provide workshops designed to increase parents' participation in their child's education. In addition, parents and community members will be invited to be a part of the Campus Intervention Team/P-16 Leadership Initiatives Team in order to ensure their voices and	6200 – Various types of vendors have been included under Professional and Contracted Services to provide professional development services.
	opinions are included within the design and implementation phase of the TTIPS grant.  The campus will ensure that parents and community members are provided with notification of meetings and events. Various manners of notification will be utilized in notifications, when needed.	300 – Funds from Supplies and Materials will be utilized to print otifications, when needed.
4	A campus academic night will be scheduled in order to provide parents and community members the opportunity to take part in the students' education. The intent of this academic night will be to allow students to show parents the methods and resources that are being utilized to instruct them. Students will have the opportunity to show	6100 - The campus will hire a full-time College Readiness Specialist/Counselor to plan and promote the academic night and open house.
	parents and community members while simultaneously providing parents and teachers 6300 – Supplies and materials will be purchased, as needed, to support the opportunity to "tryout" new technologies, manipulatives, and curriculum.	6300 – Supplies and materials will be purchased, as needed, to support and promote the events.
ဟ်	An open house will be scheduled at the beginning and middle of the year in order to allow parents the opportunity to meet the teacher and visit their classroom. Parents will be provided samples of children's work and will have the opportunity to ask questions.	

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Amendment # (for amendments only): TEA Program Requirement 7: Interventions and Resources to meet Model Requirements- IMPROVE SCHOOL CLIMATE County-district number or vendor ID: 108-913

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- List the <u>key interventions</u> the campus will implement to *improve school climate* in order to achieve increased academic performance.
- Provide a description of grant costs named in the Budget Schedules, indicating how costs will support the intervention to improve school climate.

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	Critical Success Factor:   Improve School Climate	
	Planned Intervention	Description of Grant Costs to Support Intervention (Budget Narrative)
<del></del>	Comprehensive School Climate Center (NSCC) to conduct a Comprehensive School Climate Inventory (CSCI) on the campus in order to receive immediate feedback on how students, parents, and school personnel perceive the school's climate for learning.	200 – The campus has budgeted funds for each year of the TTIPS Program owards the NSCC.
۲	The campus will contract with an External Evaluator to conduct surveys on fe200 - The campus has budgeted for an external evaluator for each year of the teachers, parents, students, staff, and community members. In addition, walk-throughs and focus group discussions will be performed. Based on these results, the Evaluator will provide suggestions and recommendations to address any areas of weakness.	200 - The campus has budgeted for an external evaluator for each year of the TIPS Program.
က	The campus will ensure that students feel safe and secure while at school. Strategies will be implemented to decrease the number of student-related incidents. This will include incidents of bullying, fighting, possession of controlled substances, truancy, and others. In addition, the campus will ensure that no unauthorized individual is granted access to the campus.	re while at school. 6200 — The campus will provide various professional development trainings of student-related designed to reduce disciplinary actions and incidents on campus.  ig, possession of campus will ensure campus will ensure pus.
4	The campus will implement various strategies to increase parent and 6200 – The campus has budgeted for professional development community involvement. Strategies will include the contracting of CTC to workshops that will promote parental and community involvement provide workshops designed to increase parents' participation in their child's education. In addition, parents and community members will be invited to be a parent of the Campus Intervention Team/P-16 Leadership Initiatives Team in order to ensure their voices and opinions are included within the design and implementation phase, both prior to and during, of the TTIPS grant.	rease parent and 6200 – The campus has budgeted for professional development trainings and racting of CTC to workshops that will promote parental and community involvement. It in in their child's lead to be a linited to be
5.	The campus will partner with Communities In Schools to provide community- 6200 — The campus has budgeted monies to contract with a Case Manager oriented services; thus, empowering students to stay in school and achieve in from Communities In Schools (CIS).  If the campus will partner with Communities to stay in school and achieve in from Communities In Schools (CIS).  If the campus will partner with a Case Manager oriented with a Case Manager orie	1200 — The campus has budgeted monies to contract with a Case Manager rom Communities In Schools (CIS).

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Schedule #18—Equitable Access and Participation					
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No Barriers					
#	No Barriers	Students	Teachers	Others	
000	The applicant assures that no barriers exist to equitable access and participation for any groups				
Barrie	r: Gender-Specific Bias				
#	Strategies for Gender-Specific Bias	Students	Teachers	Others	
A01	Expand opportunities for historically underrepresented groups to fully participate	$\boxtimes$	$\boxtimes$		
A02	Provide staff development on eliminating gender bias		$\boxtimes$		
A03	Ensure strategies and materials used with students do not promote gender bias		$\boxtimes$		
A04	Develop and implement a plan to eliminate existing discrimination and the effects of past discrimination on the basis of gender				
A05	Ensure compliance with the requirements in Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of gender				
A06	Ensure students and parents are fully informed of their rights and responsibilities with regard to participation in the program				
A99	Other (specify)				
Barrie	: Cultural, Linguistic, or Economic Diversity				
#	Strategies for Cultural, Linguistic, or Economic Diversity	Students	Teachers	Others	
B01	Provide program information/materials in home language	$\boxtimes$		$\boxtimes$	
B02	Provide interpreter/translator at program activities	$\boxtimes$	$\boxtimes$	$\boxtimes$	
B03	Increase awareness and appreciation of cultural and linguistic diversity through a variety of activities, publications, etc.				
B04	Communicate to students, teachers, and other program beneficiaries an appreciation of students' and families' linguistic and cultural backgrounds				
B05	Develop/maintain community involvement/participation in program activities				
B06	Provide staff development on effective teaching strategies for diverse populations		$\boxtimes$		
B07	Ensure staff development is sensitive to cultural and linguistic differences and communicates an appreciation for diversity				
B08	Seek technical assistance from education service center, technical assistance center, Title I, Part A school support team, or other provider				
B09	Provide parenting training		$\square$	$\boxtimes$	
B10	Provide a parent/family center			<u> </u>	

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	Barrier: Cultural, Linguistic, or Economic Diversity (cont.)						
#	Strategies for Cultural, Linguistic, or Economic Diversity	Students	Teachers	Others			
B12	Offer "flexible" opportunities for parent involvement including home learning activities and other activities that don't require parents to come the school	to 🗆					
B13	Provide child care for parents participating in school activities						
B14	Acknowledge and include family members' diverse skills, talents, and knowledge in school activities						
B15	Provide adult education, including GED and/or ESL classes, or family literacy program						
B16	Offer computer literacy courses for parents and other program beneficiaries						
B17	Conduct an outreach program for traditionally "hard to reach" parents			$\boxtimes$			
B18	Coordinate with community centers/programs						
B19	Seek collaboration/assistance from business, industry, or institutions of higher education		$\boxtimes$	$\boxtimes$			
B20	Develop and implement a plan to eliminate existing discrimination and the effects of past discrimination on the basis of race, national origin, and color	e					
B21	Ensure compliance with the requirements in Title VI of the Civil Rights Ac of 1964, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, national origin, and color	et					
B22	Ensure students, teachers, and other program beneficiaries are informed of their rights and responsibilities with regard to participation in the program						
B23	Provide mediation training on a regular basis to assist in resolving disputes and complaints						
B99	Other (specify)						
Barrier: Gang-Related Activities							
#	Strategies for Gang-Related Activities	Students	Teachers	Others			
C01	Provide early intervention						
C02	Provide counseling	$\boxtimes$					
C03	Conduct home visits by staff						
C04	Provide flexibility in scheduling activities		$\boxtimes$	$\boxtimes$			
C05	Recruit volunteers to assist in promoting gang-free communities						
C06	Provide mentor program						
C07	Provide before/after school recreational, instructional, cultural, or artistic programs/activities						

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	r: Gang-Related Activities (cont.)	DESCRIPTION			
#	Strategies for Gang-Related Activities		Students	Teachers	Others
C08	Provide community service programs/activities				
C09	Conduct parent/teacher conferences			$\boxtimes$	
C10	Strengthen school/parent compacts				
C11	Establish collaborations with law enforcement agencies				
C12	Provide conflict resolution/peer mediation strategies/programs				
C13	Seek collaboration/assistance from business, industry, or institut higher education				
C14	Provide training/information to teachers, school staff, and parents with gang-related issues	s to deal			
C99	Other (specify)				
Barrie	r: Drug-Related Activities				
#	Strategies for Drug-Related Activities		Students	Teachers	Others
D01	Provide early identification/intervention		$\boxtimes$		$\boxtimes$
D02	Provide counseling		$\boxtimes$		
D03	Conduct home visits by staff				
D04	Recruit volunteers to assist in promoting drug-free schools and communities				
D05	Provide mentor program				
D06	Provide before/after school recreational, instructional, cultural, or programs/activities	artistic			
D07	Provide community service programs/activities				
D08	Provide comprehensive health education programs				
D09	Conduct parent/teacher conferences			$\boxtimes$	$\boxtimes$
D10	Establish school/parent compacts				
D11	Develop/maintain community collaborations				
D12	Provide conflict resolution/peer mediation strategies/programs				
D13	Seek collaboration/assistance from business, industry, or institut higher education				
D14	Provide training/information to teachers, school staff, and parents with drug-related issues	s to deal			
D99	Other (specify)				
Barrier: Visual Impairments					
#	Strategies for Visual Impairments		Students	Teachers	Others
E01	Provide early identification and intervention		$\boxtimes$		$\boxtimes$
E02	Provide program materials/information in Braille				

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Barrie	r: Visual Impairments				
#	Strategies for Visual Impairments		Students	Teachers	Others
E03	Provide program materials/information in large type				
E04	Provide program materials/information in digital/audio formats				
E05	Provide staff development on effective teaching strategies for visuimpairment	al			
E06	Provide training for parents				
E07	Format materials/information published on the internet for ADA accessibility				
E99	Other (specify)				
Barrie	r: Hearing Impairments				
#	Strategies for Hearing Impairments				
F01	Provide early identification and intervention				$\boxtimes$
F02	Provide interpreters at program activities				
F03	Provide captioned video material				
F04	Provide program materials and information in visual format				
F05	Use communication technology, such as TDD/relay				
F06	Provide staff development on effective teaching strategies for hear impairment	ring			
F07	Provide training for parents				
F99	Other (specify)				
Barrie	r: Learning Disabilities				
#	Strategies for Learning Disabilities		Students	Teachers	Others
G01	Provide early identification and intervention		$\boxtimes$		$\boxtimes$
G02	Expand tutorial/mentor programs		$\boxtimes$		
G03	Provide staff development in identification practices and effective teaching strategies				
G04	Provide training for parents in early identification and intervention				
G99	Other (specify)				
Barrier: Other Physical Disabilities or Constraints					
#	Strategies for Other Physical Disabilities or Constraints	3	Students	Teachers	Others
H01	Develop and implement a plan to achieve full participation by stude with other physical disabilities or constraints	ents			
H02	Provide staff development on effective teaching strategies			$\boxtimes$	
H03	Provide training for parents				$\boxtimes$
H99	Other (specify)				

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Barrie	r: Inaccessible Physical Structures			
#	Strategies for Inaccessible Physical Structures	Students	Teachers	Others
J01	Develop and implement a plan to achieve full participation by students with other physical disabilities/constraints			
J02	Ensure all physical structures are accessible			
J99	Other (specify)			
Barrie	r: Absenteeism/Truancy	**************************************		***************************************
#	Strategies for Absenteeism/Truancy	Students	Teachers	Others
K01	Provide early identification/intervention	$\boxtimes$	$\boxtimes$	$\boxtimes$
K02	Develop and implement a truancy intervention plan		$\boxtimes$	$\boxtimes$
K03	Conduct home visits by staff			
K04	Recruit volunteers to assist in promoting school attendance			
K05	Provide mentor program			
K06	Provide before/after school recreational or educational activities			
K07	Conduct parent/teacher conferences		$\boxtimes$	$\boxtimes$
K08	Strengthen school/parent compacts			$\boxtimes$
K09	Develop/maintain community collaborations			
K10	Coordinate with health and social services agencies			
K11	Coordinate with the juvenile justice system			
K12	Seek collaboration/assistance from business, industry, or institutions of higher education			
K99	Other (specify)			
Barrie	Barrier: High Mobility Rates			
#	Strategies for High Mobility Rates	Students	Teachers	Others
L01	Coordinate with social services agencies			$\boxtimes$
L02	Establish collaborations with parents of highly mobile families			$\boxtimes$
L03	Establish/maintain timely record transfer system			
L99	Other (specify)			
Barrier: Lack of Support from Parents				
#	Strategies for Lack of Support from Parents	Students	Teachers	Others
M01	Develop and implement a plan to increase support from parents			$\boxtimes$
M02	Conduct home visits by staff			

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P02

Other (specify)

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Barrier: Lack of Knowledge Regarding Program Benefits

program activities and benefits

Strategies for Lack of Knowledge Regarding Program Benefits

Publish newsletter/brochures to inform program beneficiaries of activities

Develop and implement a plan to inform program beneficiaries of

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Barrie	r: Lack of Knowledge Regarding Program Benefits (cont.)			
#	Strategies for Lack of Knowledge Regarding Program Benefits	Students	Teachers	Others
P03	Provide announcements to local radio stations, newspapers, and appropriate electronic media about program activities/benefits			
P99	Other (specify)			
Barrie	r: Lack of Transportation to Program Activities			
#	Strategies for Lack of Transportation	Students	Teachers	Others
Q01	Provide transportation for parents and other program beneficiaries to activities			
Q02	Offer "flexible" opportunities for involvement, including home learning activities and other activities that don't require coming to school			
Q03	Conduct program activities in community centers and other neighborhood locations			
Q99	Other (specify)			
Barrie	r: Other Barriers			
#	Strategies for Other Barriers	Students	Teachers	Others
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